



A Steady Industry

In a time like the present with the general impression prevailing that employment in all industries has increased tremendously, it is important to hold a sound point of view, to avoid becoming unduly excited, and to keep in mind more normal times that will certainly come.

Because of the fast moving events in all industries under the present abnormal circumstances, a check was made on employment figures in the major industries of the country, using the figures of the Government Bureau of Labor Statistics which are readily available. This was done for two reasons: 1. To determine to what extent these industries varied in the work that they offered from year to year to their employees, and 2, to find out how they compared with the cotton-textile industry.

The results are very interesting. The Bureau of Labor Statistics compiles each month, and from year to year, figures which are called "Indexes of Employment." These show, in the over 90 industries that are covered for any given month, or for any year, the amount of employment that each industry offered to its people. These figures really indicate how many people were employed at these periods, even though the figures themselves are not in terms of thousands of people but in terms of an index number. This index number is even more accurate than a figure showing the actual number of people at work, for the index is based on certain years which have been set as an average, and by comparison the index not only tells how many are employed at a given time, but how this compares with other periods of time. In the index figures which are used here, the years from 1923 to 1925 equal 100%, and the figures are given in terms of this 100%.

To make the comparison, the index numbers of employment for the years from 1935 through 1939 have been used. These five years of employment records are representative because they include both years when employment was relatively high, and when it was relatively low. 1935 wasn't a good year, 1937 was an excellent year, and the other years were in between.

Here's what the figures show. The cotton-textile industry provided one of the steadiest degrees of employment of any of the large manufacturing industries in the country. This means that from year to year there was less hiring and firing of people because of changes in the business than in almost any other major industry. Or, to put it another

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OPERATING MODEL OF WOODEN LOOM MADE BY JOE PROULX

**Made It All, Even The Gears,
With A Jackknife**

The art of weaving is one of the oldest known to man, although it has greatly advanced from the simple loom of the Egyptians to the complicated machine of today. Regardless of the complex mechanisms, Joe Proulx has made a model loom similar to the ones in place here at Biddeford in 1845.

Used Only a Jackknife

An exact reproduction in every detail, this model loom made of wood, operates to perfection. All the work was done with a jackknife, even to the gear cutting. The harnesses raise or lower at the proper time; the take up and let off motion works to perfection as well as the filling stop motion, and it really is amusing to watch the picker sticks hit the shuttle swiftly across the race board to the binder. The overall length of the loom is 16

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Miss Maxine Smith, who is a weaver during the summer months on Cotton Flannels at Pepperell's Lindale, Georgia, Plant. She is shown at her sewing machine making some of her clothes and getting ready to re-enter the South Georgia College at Douglas, Georgia, where she made a very outstanding record last year. See Lindale story on page 4.



Joseph Proulx, who has worked for 68 years at the Biddeford Plant, holds his wooden loom that actually operates. It is a reproduction of the looms that were in place way back in 1845. All work was skilfully done with his jackknife.

inches, the height is 10½ inches and width 10 inches, all in proportion to the looms here in operation 96 years ago.

The basic principle of the present day loom is the same as a century ago, only there have been many improvements including the installation of the battery and warp stop motion. The shuttle is easily threaded today, where previously the shuttle was lifted to the mouth and by "sucking" the yarn through a hole in the side of the shuttle, threaded

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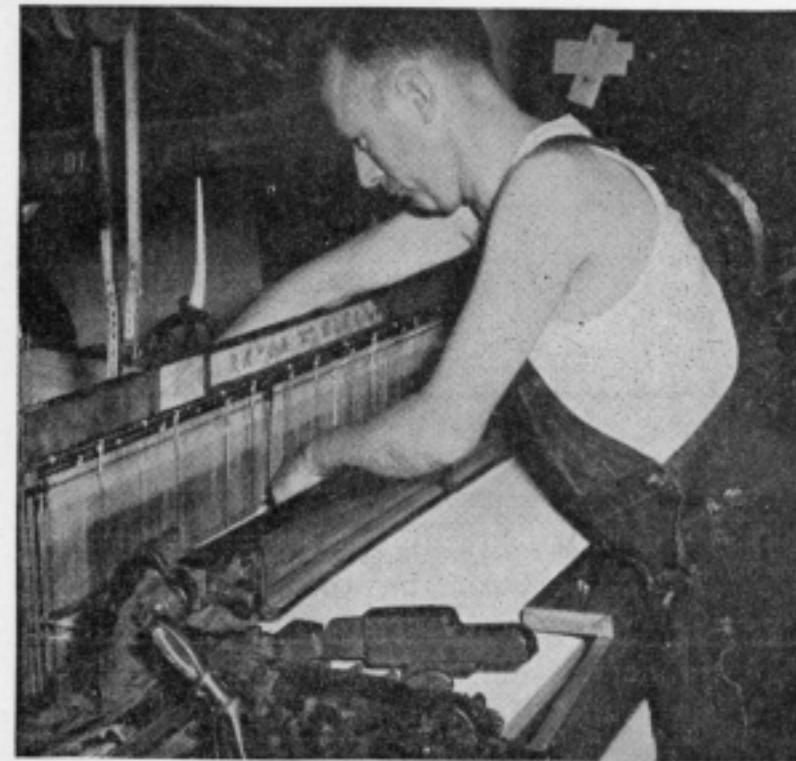
it. There are a number of weavers working for Pepperell now who well remember this operation.

To Apply Power for Actual Operation

One rainy afternoon about six months ago, Mr. Proulx decided to undertake the making of this loom. Working only in his spare time and "when the spirit moved" he completed this fascinating model three weeks ago. His intentions are to make an engine or motor to belt drive the loom and actually weave cloth to entertain his friends. Joe is mechanically minded, for he has made a steam driven automobile, a violin from old straw hats, a cornet and slide trombone from discarded roving bobbins and many toys and gadgets he has given the children in the neighborhood.

Employed at Pepperell for 68 Years

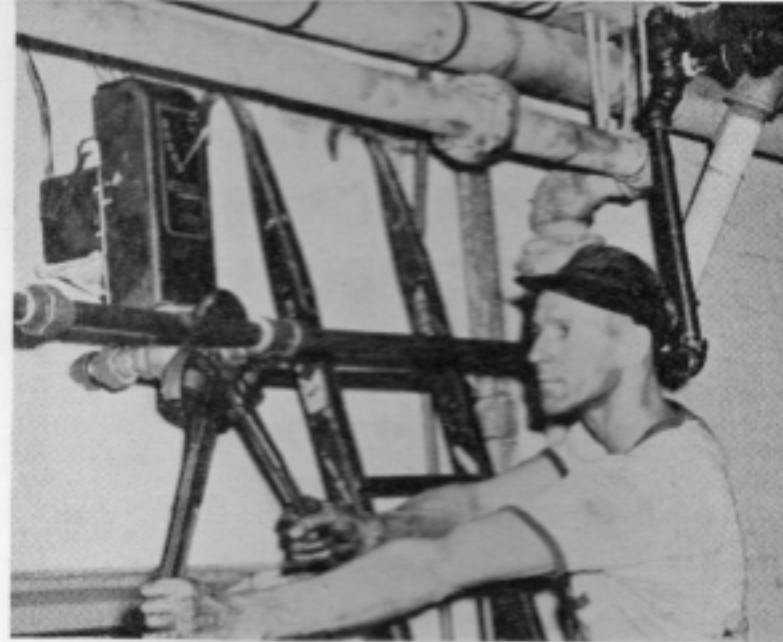
Way back in 1873, Joe came to work for Pepperell and worked in the card rooms for Overseers Ed. Leavitt, Fred Baker and Forest Johnson. He was employed in the present No. 5 weave room as a loomfixer at the time when Charles Boynton was Overseer, Ben Goodier was second hand and Fred Greene, Charles Goodin, John Hartley and Steve McDonald were loomfixers. Later he was employed in the machine shop and operated the first iron lathe to come to Biddeford, for until this time, lathes were made of wood. With 68 years of service behind him, he can tell some very interesting stories on the advancement of these mills.



Elisee Methot has been a rayon weaver in Mill A at Fall River for four years. He is shown here tying in one of the 4,000 ends of rayon yarn.

**HEAT CONTROL
VALVES PUT IN
FOR COMFORT**

**Will Keep Room Temperatures
More Constant**



Giving the pipe nuts a last tightening on the new heat controls at Biddeford is James A. Owens. These controls will save on coal consumption, better working temperature for the employees and higher operating efficiency for the productive rooms.

Installing of heat control valves for all rooms at the Biddeford plant has recently been completed. Purchase of 80 of these controls was allowed through the Office of Production Management providing they were installed before October. Installations were completed ten days before the agreement with OPM expired.

Installed Ahead of Schedule

In cooperation with the government request to save on coal, Pepperell has installed the controls and expects to save about 15 per cent of the heating steam consumption. These controls will have a further function for they will keep the humidity more constant, provide better working conditions for the employees, keep the room temperature down, thus preventing the yarn from drying out, and keep the operating efficiency up by maintaining proper moisture in the product.

These controls are electrically operated steam valves, controlled by a thermostat, located in a proper place in each room throughout the plant. Only five weeks were required to install these 80 controls, which reflects on the efficient manner in which the steam fitters and electricians handled the situation.

FIRST FREIGHT CARS RUN ON LEWISTON'S NEW TRACK

Helps to Speed Shipments
And Reduce Traffic

On August 14th the first freight cars were run over the newly constructed railroad circle at the Lewiston Bleachery. There were eight cars in the set seven of which were empty and spotted at the loading platforms; the other car was from the Opelika, Ala., mill and contained cloth to be bleached.

Another Chapter in Shipping Written

Using the new track adds another chapter in shipping and receiving freight at the bleachery. Twenty-eight years ago, shipping was carried on by the use of two 'double horse wagons and three single horse wagons. This was in the days when the handlebar moustache was quite the vogue and on cold winter mornings the icicles actually hung from them as the men moved the cases about in the shipping room onto the wagons. This is a marked contrast with present conditions as the shipping rooms are all steam heated.

For a quarter of a century ago, the Androscoggin & Kennebec Railway, an electrical system, picked up the freight cars in the Maine Central yards and



Larry Egan is traffic manager at Lewiston and has had 30 years' experience in shipping goods. Larry is a fine fellow and has a host of friends at the Bleachery.

hauled them over our own tracks to spot them in the yard at the bleachery. In so doing, they were taken over the shortest railroad circle in the State of Maine, for it was but 110 feet in length. With the abandonment of the street railway tracks in Lewiston, replaced by a bus system last month, the bleachery management was prepared for such a change and caused a new track to be built with actual operations commencing last January.

Many Advantages in New Method

Considerable excavating and filling was necessary with over 16,000 cubic yards of earth being moved. The new track, which joined the tracks already in place at the coal hoppers and in the upper yard, is 920 feet in length and required 816 ties and 23½ tons of rails. Shifting of the cars now takes place each morning at seven instead of mid-forenoon which is a big advantage in doing away with the traffic problems and getting more cars loaded. It takes some time to load a car, for many times, between 113 and 119 cases are put into one car.



This is the "donkey" engine which shuttles the freight cars at the Bleachery yard. It is an eight cylinder gasoline engine with a 6¾ inch bore and 7 inch stroke, with the entire engine weighing about 30 tons.



This little fellow is sitting in his high-chair all ready for the groceries. He is Richard H. Cray and his daddy works in the sheeting weave room at Biddeford.

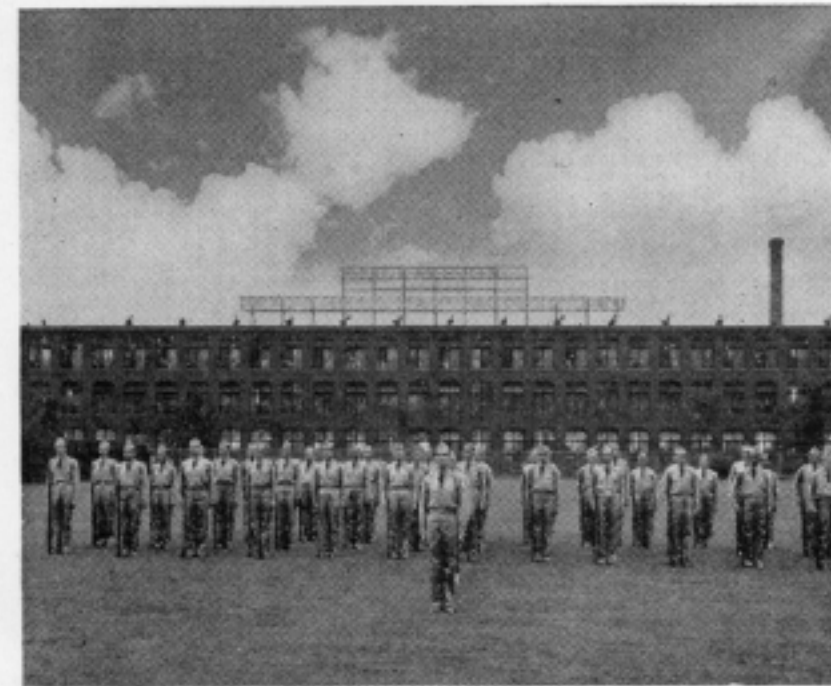
HIGH PRODUCTION AT PEPPERELL'S LINDALE MILL

Important Southern Mill
Makes Important Fabrics

Although it's about 1,400 miles from Biddeford, Maine to Lindale, Georgia, the mill which your company operates in Lindale is one of the most important units of the company, not only in size, but in number of people employed, and in the yardage of cloth produced. The Lindale mill, one of the two Southern mills of the company is now producing over 1,500,000 yards of cloth each week and at present it employs over 2,800 people; somewhat more in each case than the Biddeford mill.

One Of First Mills In South

In much the same way that Biddeford was one of the first large textile mills established in the North, the Lindale mill was one of the first large mills built in the South. This Southern mill, completed in 1896, about fifty years after Biddeford, was erected in what at that time was nothing more than farm land, with a few scattered farmhouses and a corn mill nearby. At the present time it is



The Home Defense Unit, although recently organized at Lindale, is determined to be one of the best. Several of the boys are Veterans of World War I, but most of this group are younger patriots who have not been called to Camp.



A window washer working on the mammoth RCA Building in New York City, wears a shirt and pants made from coverts produced in Pepperell's Lindale, Georgia, mill.

a self-sufficient community of about 500 houses, modern schools, community buildings, and a large and active group of people. Of the original 175 families who came from the farms and hills near Lindale to work over forty years ago, at least 75% of them have children and grandchildren working in the mill today. These people are almost entirely native stock, for that part of the country has had no substantial migration for at least a hundred years.

Varied Types Of Cloth Woven

When it first opened its doors, the mill operated 1,000 looms and 31,000 spindles manufacturing 2.85 and 3.25 yard sheeting, 2.85 drill and a small amount of Osnaburg. Two years later, in 1898, number 2 mill was erected and added 600 looms and 19,400 spindles to its capacity. The mill started the manufacture of a small amount of cotton duck at that time. The largest and last mill built was number 3, completed in 1903, and it alone added 1,500 looms and 52,000 spindles to the total. Soon after this last mill was completed many other weights and widths of cloth were manufactured. In 1908 the mill was making 14 different kinds of narrow sheeting, and shirting, 8 kinds of drills, 7 weights of duck, and 6 different weights of Osnaburg.

In 1917, when the mill started producing colored fabrics, a dye house was constructed for indigo dyeing. This equipment has been expanded and

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Millions of farmers all over the country wear work shirts and pants made from Pepperell coverts and suitings in their daily work. This dairyman is just an example of millions of others.

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added to and now includes raw stock and beam dyeing facilities on a large scale. At present, with the exception of canton flannel, the entire production of the mill is on colored fabrics.

From its beginning until 1926 this whole unit was known as The Massachusetts Cotton Mills having been started by Mr. Charles L. Lovering from Massachusetts. It was acquired by the Pepperell Manufacturing Company in 1926 and from that time carried the same name as the other mills of the company. Mr. Edward Lovering, (the son



The eight "head-ends" of cloth shown above represent the majority of production of the Lindale mill. If you look closely you can get a general idea of the type of fabric which is made. They are typical work clothing fabrics. The one on the extreme right is Canton flannel, used in making work gloves.

of the founder of the Lindale mill), who passed away only a few months ago became chairman of the board of the Pepperell Manufacturing Company.

Sanforizing Unit Very Large

The fabrics which are manufactured at Lindale at the present time are extremely important cloths in the lives of millions of American working people. These cloths, comprising coverts, chambrays, flannels for work gloves, Battleaxe suitings, and a number of other fabrics are made into millions of work pants and shirts, for the men on the farms and in the factories of the country. The cloth from the mills is shipped to manufacturers of shirts and pants, where it is cut to pattern, then stitched and finished into the customary work shirts and pants that are seen on nearly any retail store counter. In many cases these manufacturers use the Pepperell trademark to identify the cloth in these garments, for they have found that workmen respect and have confidence in any cloth bearing this name.

The production of cloth in Lindale follows, in

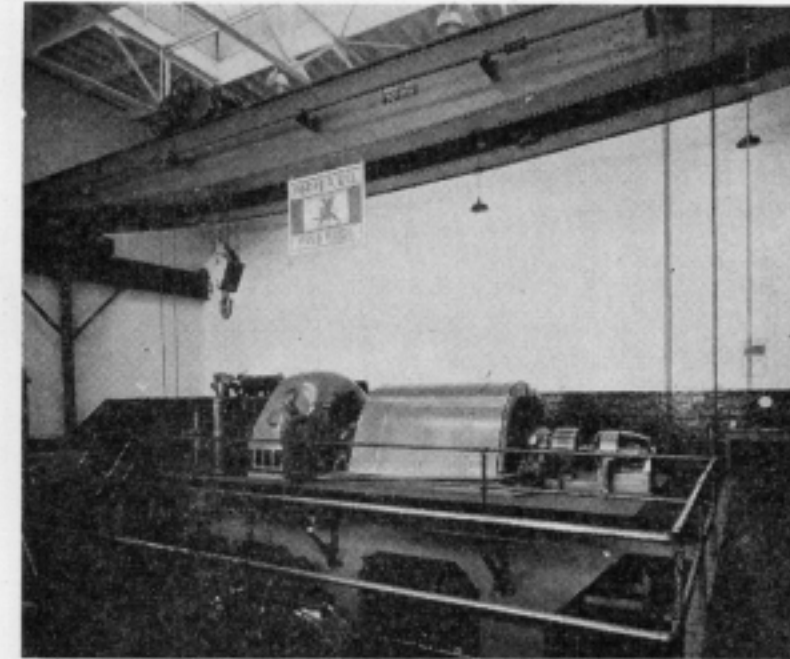
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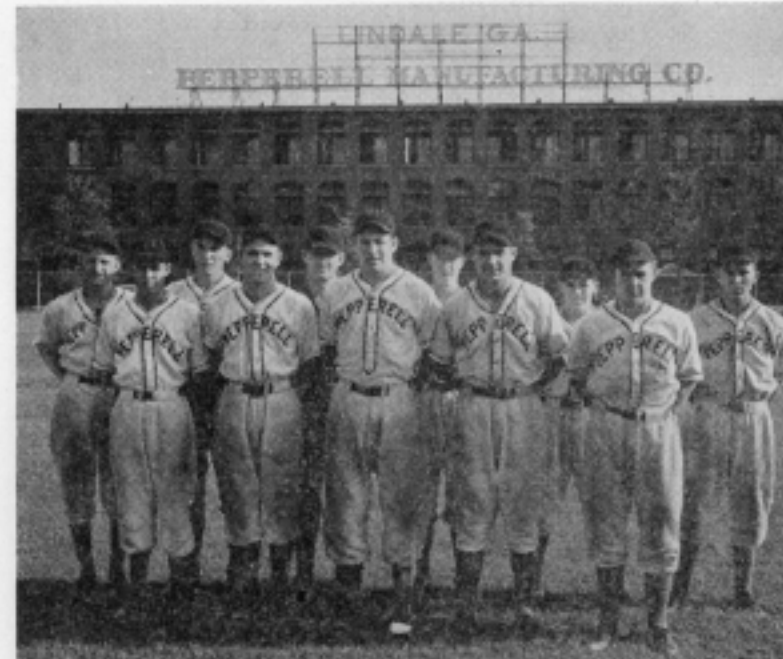
These are the labels that are sewn into the pants and shirts made from Pepperell Lindale fabrics so that workmen and farmers can identify them when they purchase them in retail stores. The numbers indicate the number of garments on which these labels appear in an average year.

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Pepperell's turbine room at Lindale, Georgia, is operated by Morgan Balkom who has been here 20 years. Mr. Balkom is a past master of Lindale Lodge, F. & A. M., a leading citizen and competent engineer. He is standing near one of the turbines.



The Pepperell softball team at Lindale—recently recrowned champions of their League and also winner of the District Tournament, which placed them in the play-off for the Championship of Georgia.

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general, the same methods of producing sheeting in the Northern mills, with one or two exceptions. The opening, picking, spinning and weaving processes are essentially the same, but because colored yarns are used to make most of the fabrics, raw stock dyeing and yarn dyeing are important processes in the mill. The cloths produced, chambrays, coverts, and heavy cotton suitings do not require the bleaching and finishing processes which are applied to sheetings, so that the cloth from the mill is shipped in bales directly to the customers who have purchased it. Millions of yards of this cloth are Sanforized-shrunk, and the five Sanforizing machines in Lindale comprise one of the largest units of this kind in the country.

Operating On Three Shift Basis

The work shirts, pants, gloves, and other garments made from the fabrics of this mill are noted for their exceptionally high quality. They are sold by many of the largest chain stores in the country and by the leading mail order houses. They are also sold by thousands of independent retail stores and, as mentioned, they may be identified in many cases by the Pepperell trade-mark on the cloth.

At present this mill is operating at capacity 3,142 looms and 110,244 spindles. Most departments are operating three shifts, and the cloth produced by this large plant is going out to more and more thrifty and hard-working American men.



Walt Kenamer has a "home-show" of dog tricks worthy of any circus. He is a lover of dogs and has been training them for 18 years. Mr. Kenamer came to Lindale in 1914 and is employed as a weaver on Frontier coverts. One of his trained dogs is shown in a high-wire act.

**LINDALE WORKERS PERFORM JOBS MUCH
LIKE THOSE IN NORTHERN MILLS**



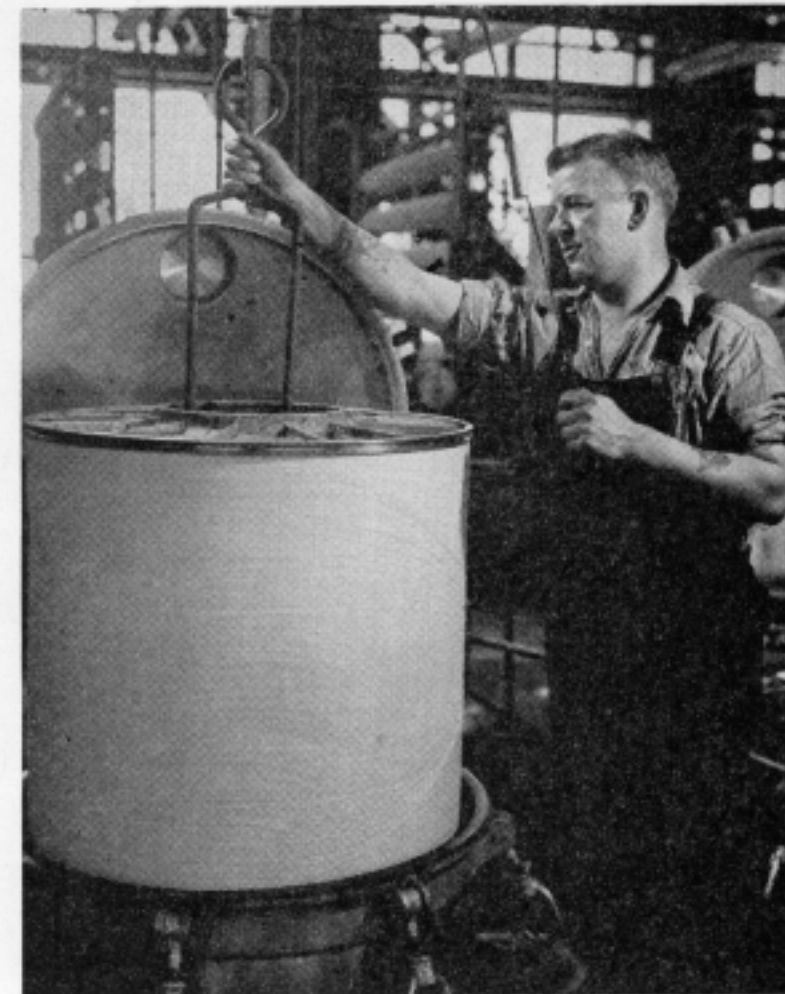
Grady and Hazel Cole are employees of the card room at Lindale. They form one of the most popular radio teams in Northwest Georgia and have been heard over WRGA, Rome, Georgia, for about 6 years. Also, several records have been made of their popular hill-billy music.



Mr. Bob Padgett and son, Bob, Jr., are shown beside some long draft roving frames at Lindale. Mr. Padgett has been employed here in the card room since 1896 and Bob, Jr., has been here 16 years. Mr. Padgett has five other children and five children-in-law, who are also Pepperell employees.



Miss Fannie Climer is a weaver on Bluebell coverts and chambrays at Lindale. She has spent all her working years here and is a very attractive member of a family of eight fine Pepperell employees.



Bob Brewton, a former "take all comers" wrestler in a traveling show, has been in Lindale about 30 years and is a valued employee of the Pepperell dyehouse. He is shown here beside some new beam dyeing equipment at Lindale, Georgia.

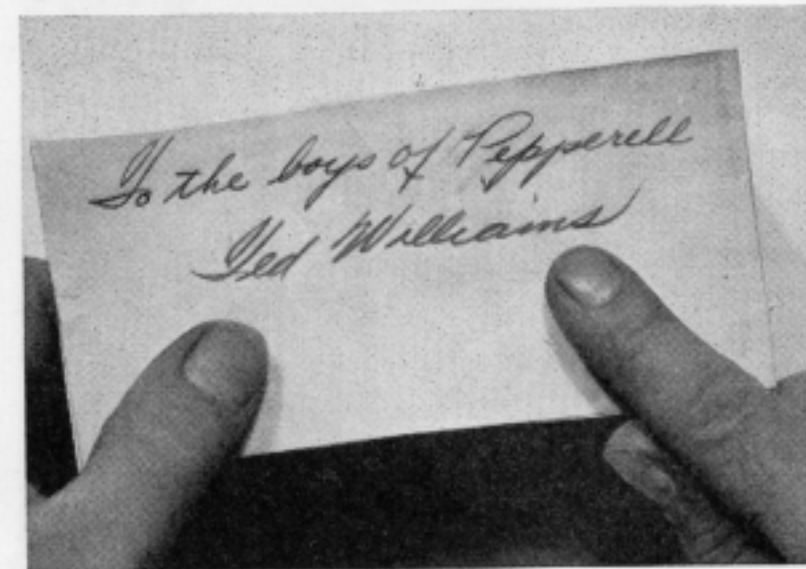
TED WILLIAMS TELLS SOME SECRETS OF HIS HITTING SUCCESS

Exclusive Interview With the
Pepperell Sheet

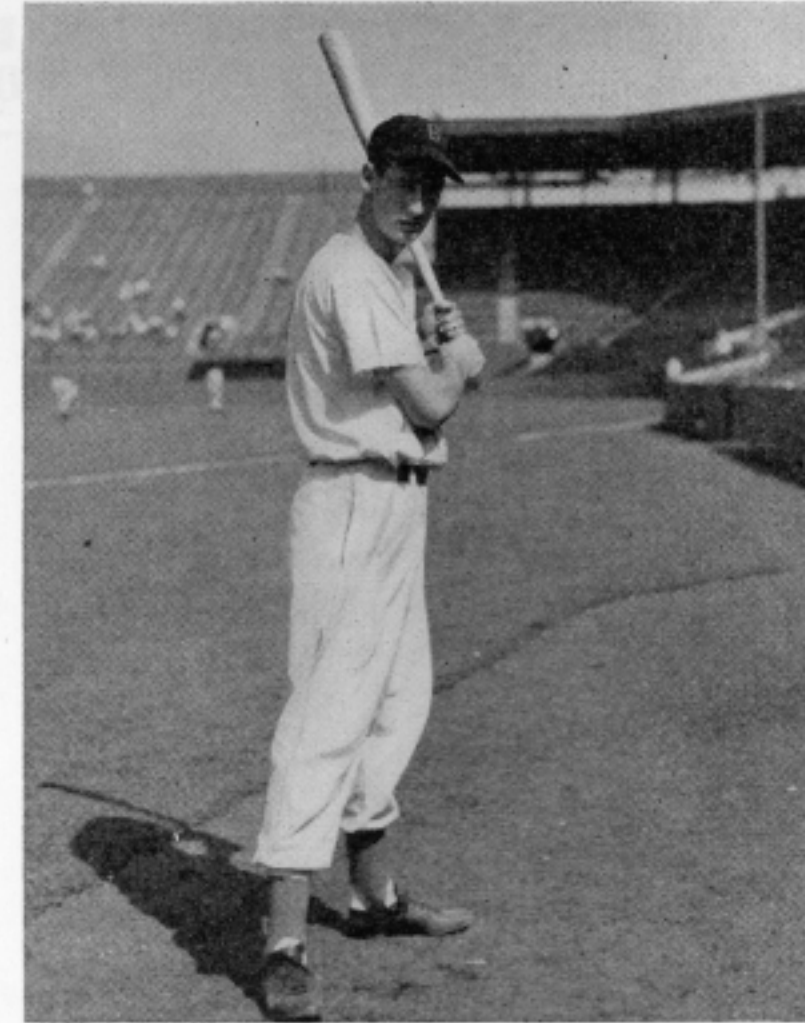
As part of the finale to the baseball season, the Pepperell Sheet was able, through the courtesy of the management of the Boston Red Sox, to secure an exclusive interview with Ted Williams, who, as any baseball fan knows, is one of the most colorful and successful players of all time. The report of the interview follows:

We talked with Ted Williams in the dugout of the Red Sox, just prior to a game with the Detroit Tigers, during which Ted got two hits and one pass out of four times at bat. He told us some of the secrets of his success as the greatest hitter in baseball, and as the holder of the home run record for the year.

In talking with Williams, he impresses you with his size, which is actually a lot bigger than it seems in pictures. His arms, that look long and lanky when he's at bat, aren't lanky at all. They are long and very muscular, and he has wrists that are surprisingly large. These wrists obviously give the snap to his swing, and his long arms provide the



At the conclusion of the interview with Ted Williams, he wrote out a short note to the people of Pepperell and signed his name to it. You can see this above.



Just in front of the Red Sox dugout, Ted Williams posed for this photograph especially for the Pepperell Sheet. The story on this and the next page tells about the interview with him.

power that makes him an extremely long hitter. In talking with him you realize that he's not a kid, although he's only 23 years old. He's a worldly wise young fellow who knows what it's all about, and he's firm in making that apparent. Like any person who holds a top place in a tough battle, he's extremely self-confident, and the small things that go on around him don't seem to touch him at all. You can tell, in talking with him that his mind, practically every minute of the time, is set on two things, becoming the greatest hitter of all time and hitting more home runs than anyone else. Figure it out—with an average of four hits out of every ten times at bat, he's got to keep his mind on his business all the time.

Wants High Batting Average

Ted told us one thing that may seem surprising. He said, "I'd rather hold the highest batting average in either league than to break the home run record." Even though the glory of hitting home runs seems a lot more brilliant than steady plugging that brings a high batting average, Ted clearly meant what he said—but that's the kind of a chap

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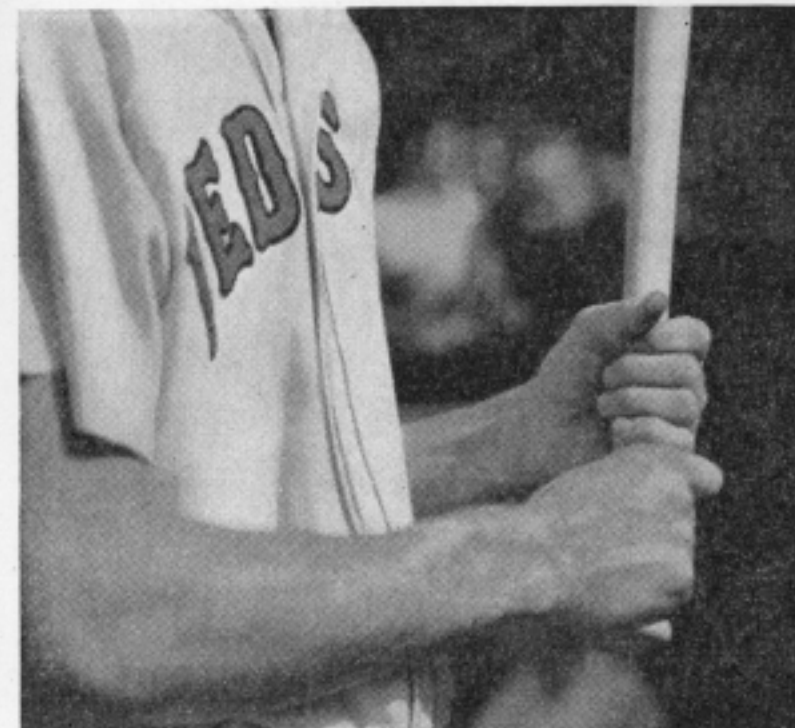
he is. He likes to be a showman, but he knows at the same time that he's got to tend to the real business of winning ball games.

We asked Ted what pitcher gave him the most trouble, and he answered without hesitation, Milnar of the Cleveland Indians. We asked him if the knuckle ball gave him any trouble, and he said, "It sure does. It's the hardest of any to hit, and it gives everybody a lot of trouble." Then the talk got on the subject of night baseball, and it was evident that he was greatly interested in it, probably because he had played a lot of night ball in the minors, and because there was a chance that more of it might be played in the major leagues.

Arc Light Problem Discussed

He said, "It's much harder to hit at night, and the reason is that you can see only the top half of the ball. The lights all shine from above, and there's no ground reflection as there is in daylight. I can line up a ball in daylight as it comes at me, but at night this is almost impossible". Moe Berg was sitting beside Ted and he agreed that there was certainly a lot of difference hitting under arc lights.

Then Ted was asked whether he batted with the label on his bat up or down, and his answer was very interesting. "I always hit with the label down", he said. "I use the bat as sort of a sight on the ball and the irregular part of the bat, where the label is stamped in seems to make a rough surface, so when I hold the label on the underside of the



Here is a close-up showing Ted's batting grip, also his large arms and wrists that help him get the tremendous power out of his swing. Taken exclusively for the Pepperell Sheet.



Your reporter is shown here talking with Ted Williams in the dugout of the Red Sox, asking a lot of questions and getting a good many answers to form the basis of the story on these two pages.

bat, the top is smooth and I can get a line on the ball more easily." Incidentally Williams explained that he uses a 34 ounce long barrel bat, somewhat lighter than is customary. One look at his arms and it's evident that the power he gets isn't from a heavy bat, but from a terrific swing that is driven by long strong arms, plus the long bat.

Although Williams is a left-handed hitter he throws right-handed and he said that he had always batted left-handed. He played high school ball in San Diego, California, where he was born and batted for .450. In 1936 he played for the local Junior American Legion team in the Legion tournament and that's where the scouts first discovered him.

Williams' hobby is hunting, and although he has never hunted in Maine or in New England he showed a good deal of interest in local game. He explained that all his hunting had been done in Northern Minnesota, where they go after bear, deer, and wolves. He has a large stock of guns of his own, and it's not hard to see that the keen eyes that make him tops in baseball are just as good along the sight of a gun.

Born of a Welsh father and a French mother, Williams is a fine example of what a young fellow can do when he sets his mind on a firm goal and keeps it there. He's always wanted to be the greatest hitter in baseball, and now he is just that. Even when he's walking out to his position in the field, he swings his arms as though he was batting, and he does the same during nearly every idle minute. He never takes his mind off the game, nor his eye off the ball.

**HOLLAND FABRICS
PRODUCED IN
VOLUME IN
LEWISTON**

**Special Department for
Special Cloths**

Starting in 1935 as an experiment, the Holland Fabrics Department at Lewiston has greatly increased in size and now is an important and self-sustaining unit. This Department presses a "filler" into the cloth and the resulting products are such items as window shade cloth, tag cloth, label cloth, cloth books for children and many other uses to which the product is placed.

Cloth used varies from open mesh weave to sheetings, but all of it must be bleached to thoroughly cleanse the fabric, eliminating all material fats and oils from the fibers and to enable the cloth to take color better. Bleaching of the fabric takes place at Pepperell's Bleachery. After bleaching, it is inspected for seams, any imperfections and for general appearance.

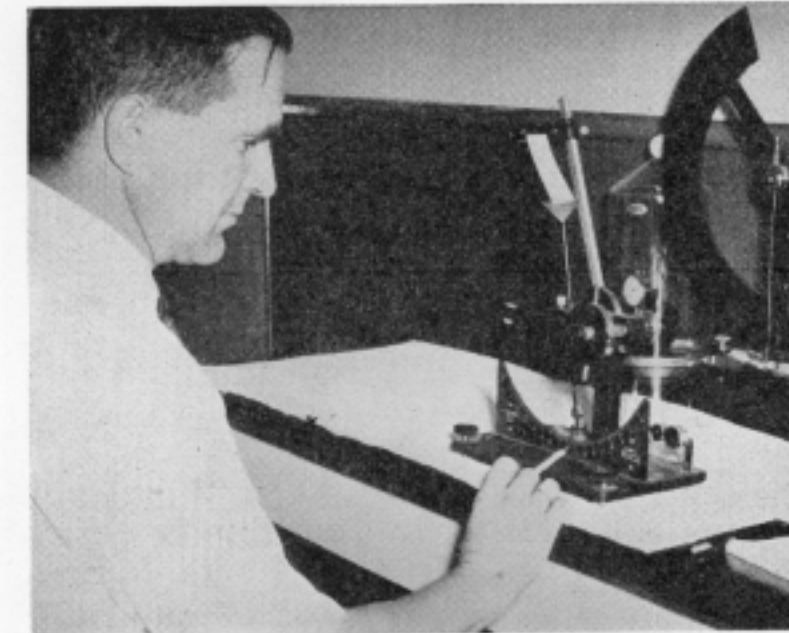
Fill-in Has Appearance of Bread Dough

The fabric is then put through a "fill-in" range or "padder" range which is a combination mangle and doctor blade to spread the "starch" evenly on the cloth. The fill-in material or starch is applied to one side of the cloth and after drying is returned to the padder range for starch application on the other side of the cloth and again run through the drying cans.

The filler, or material pressed into the fabric, consists of starch and mineral fillers such as china clay and talc. Water is added to give it the consistency and appearance of bread dough.

Cloth Is Dampened for Proper Ironing Results

After the cloth has come from the padder range and dried, it is inspected and prepared to be calendered. Sewed seams are cut out and replaced by paper seams. The two ends of the cloth are laid



Foreman Minot Morse is testing a piece of tag cloth for stiffness on a Hurley Stiffness Tester which measures it in gram force. Tag cloth averages 1800 gram force on the warp and 1500 on the filling, which is well above the standard.

adjacent to each other with a three inch strip of gummed paper on each side of the cloth. The purpose of the paper is to prevent injury to the calender rolls.

Before being calendered, the filled cloth must be moistened very much the same way the housewife sprinkles her clothes before ironing. Therefore the cloth is run through a dampener which sprinkles it with water and it is then allowed to set from one to six hours, depending on the weight of the cloth. Now it is ready to be calendered to specifications of finish and thickness.

Like a Huge Ironing Board

In principle, a calender is nothing more than a huge iron, only the cloth passes between several sets of steel and cotton rolls. The steel roll serves as the iron and the cotton roll as a padding, similar to an ironing board used by a housewife. The finished product is given a final inspection and put up in rolls or cut into various sized sheets, the more common ones being 6 x 8 inches and 36 x 72 inches.

A Few of the Many Uses

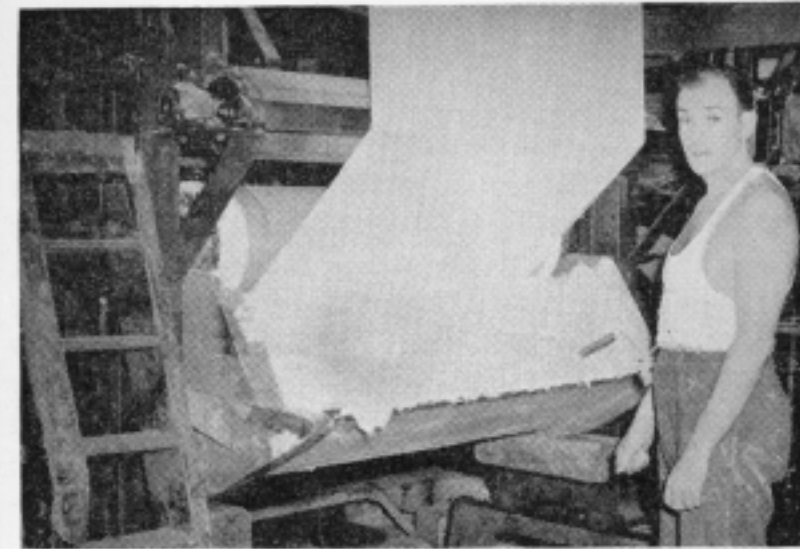
Thousands of yards of shade cloth for window shades are sold each year to the New York trade. The colors are dark blue, dark green, ecru and white. Tag cloth is sold in red, blue, green and yellow. Label-cloth, generally white, is sold to the garment trade. Laundry tag cloth, used in the laundry trade, comes in eight colors and white. The colors are used to identify the garment, the grade of work, for some customers use a different

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color each day to represent the day the work is done. Poster cloth is used for community advertising by being displayed over city streets or as outdoor sales banners for department stores.

Minot Morse Is Foreman

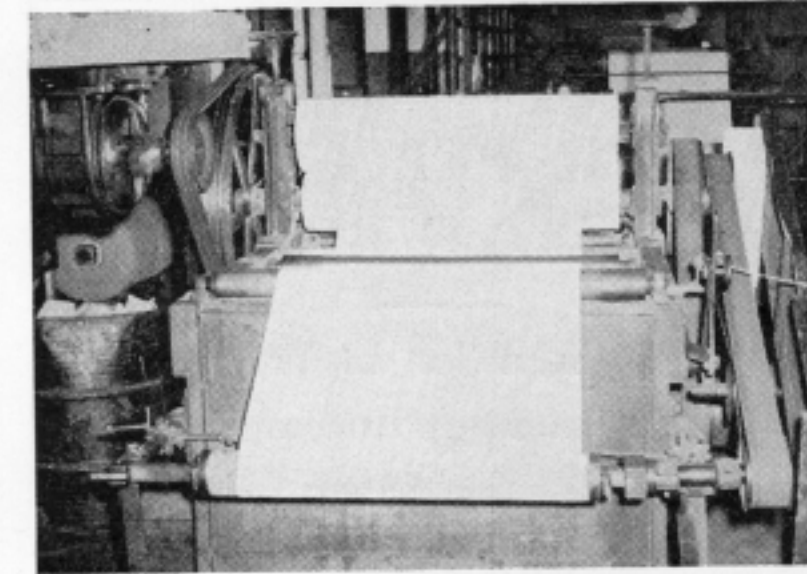
Minot Morse is the Foreman of the Holland Finishing Department at Lewiston. Although the stork left him at Boston, he "grew up" in Lewiston and Auburn and has taken them as his native home by adoption. After attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute he served employment at Boston and came to the Bleachery in 1932. His first occupation was in the Dye House. He was later transferred to the Laboratory and several years ago was again transferred to the Holland Fabrics Department and has been instrumental in building up the department.



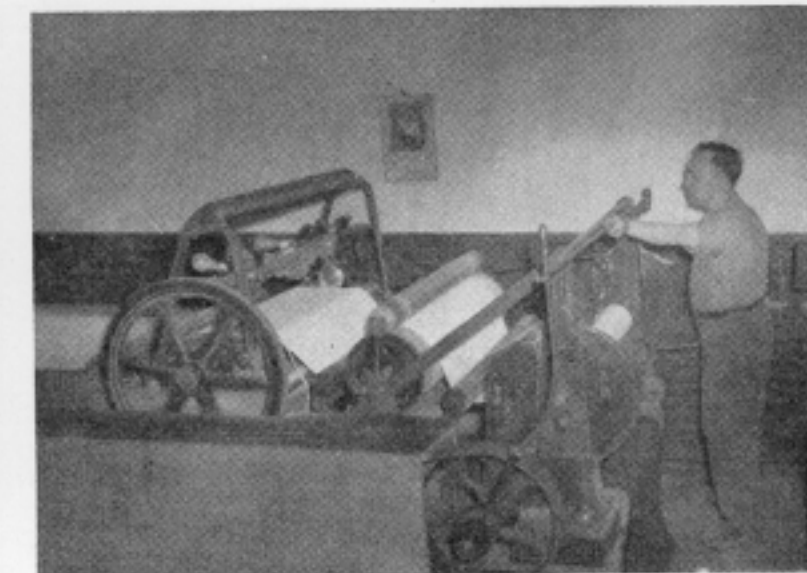
To prepare the cloth for this type finish, the starch or fill-in material is pressed into the cloth, first on one side and then on the other by a padder range. The starch has a consistency similar to bread dough. Harold Duston of Lewiston is the operator.



After the cloth has been run through the padder range, it must be inspected to make sure the starch has been properly applied. Stanley Clements is the operator on the inspection machine.



Before being calendered or ironed, the filled cloth must be moistened. The cloth runs through this dampener at an approximate speed of 180 yards a minute.



After the cloth has run through the various processes, it is again inspected and trimmed for proper width. For shade cloth, it is inspected in a dark room with strong lights on the fabric. Percy Dewhurst is operator of this machine.

Summary of Processes in Holland Fabrics Department

1. Cloth must be bleached
2. Inspected for seams, general appearance
3. Padder range applies starch to one side of cloth
4. Cloth run through drying cans
5. Starch applied to other side of cloth
6. Dried
7. Inspected
8. Passed through dampening machine
9. Calendered
10. Inspected
11. Put up in rolls or cut into sheets

FORTY-THREE YEARS WITH PEPPERELL, MR. GOVE RETIRES

**Worked For 43 Years
In Same Room**



Clarence Gove, Paymaster of the Biddeford plant resigned on August 21st, after 43 years of faithful, efficient and honorable service. Mr. Gove, who is naturally possessed with mathematical ability, fondness for human relationship and a keen sense of humor will be greatly missed by the employees and the entire Pepperell organization for he is one of the veteran employees of the concern.

Born in Biddeford and an alumnus of Biddeford High School, he entered the employ of Pepperell as an Assistant Paymaster to Walter Mitchell in April of 1898. With the appointment of Mr. Mitchell as Superintendent of the Laconia Division on January 1, 1908, Mr. Gove automatically became Paymaster of the Pepperell Division, and Paymaster of both Divisions when they were consolidated on July 1, 1911.

43 Years in Same Room

Though the present office building has been remodeled several times, the paymaster's office has always remained in the same location, with Mr. Gove working in the same room for the entire 43 years.

After Milton Dean resigned as Superintendent of the Laconia and became Agent of the Edwards Mill

with Mr. Mitchell succeeding him as Laconia Superintendent, a group of men from each mill formed the Imperial Dutch Club of which Mr. Gove was an active member. It was a social club with each group journeying to New Meadows Inn several times each year with invited guests as speakers many of whom later became governors, superior court judges and other dignitaries of church, state and nation.

Always Interested in Civic Affairs

Mr. Gove has been auditor for the City of Biddeford, Treasurer of the McArthur Library Association for 26 years and approached several times to run as Mayor, giving a negative reply on each occasion. He has always taken a keen interest in High School activities, especially athletics and is a loyal supporter of his Alma Mater in many respects. He always enjoyed nature in its many phases, and at one time was an ardent follower of Izaak Walton.

Deserves Well Earned Rest

A reserved and retiring sort of person with an excellent and undisputable character, we believe he must have chosen accuracy for his watchword, for he never deviated from the true sense of the word in the entire 43 years of proficient service to the company. A citizen whom the City is proud to claim and a man among men which the Pepperell has always recognized as a competent official. He has the best of good wishes for joyfulness and longevity from the entire organization, and a very cordial spirit of undying friendship from his closer associates.



Pvt. Robert N. Mayer, who is stationed at Quantico, Va., is taking a special course in telephone communication. He is the son of Harold Marston (right), a machinist at the Fall River plant and recently elected President of the Social Club.

FALL RIVER SOCIAL CLUB PLANS MANY FALL EVENTS

Elects New Officers



The newly elected officers of the Fall River Social Club are, left to right, Hannah Crompton, Vice President; Harold Marston, President; Irene Michel, Treasurer; and Helena Chase, Secretary. This group promises to make the year an outstanding one for social activities.

With the Fall and Winter months just ahead of them, the employees at the Fall River plant are looking forward to more of the already famous Pepperell sponsored social affairs. On the night of September 10th, members of the Social Club elected Harold Marston, president; Hannah Crompton, vice-president; Irene Michel, treasurer, and Helena Chase, secretary. Mr. Marston has been a member of the club since its original forming and naturally he is well posted on the club activities.

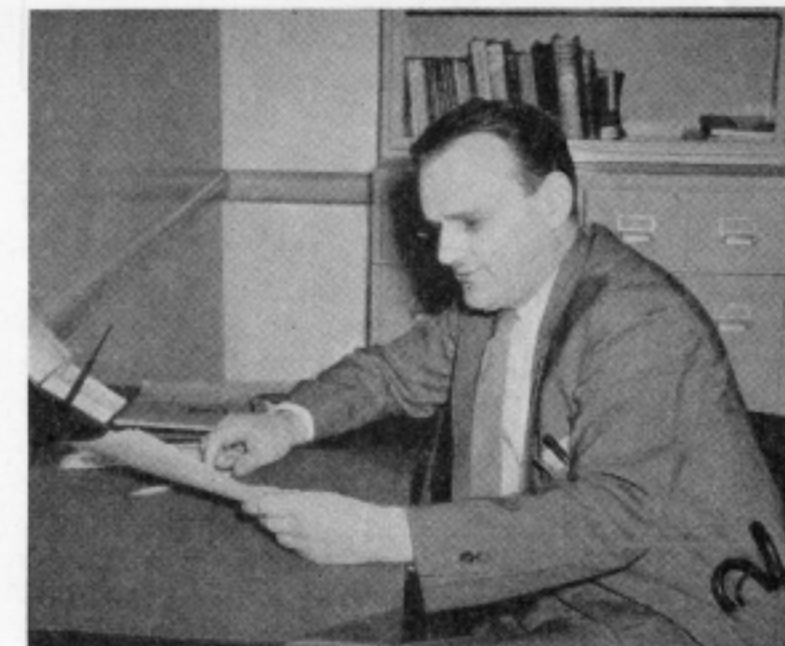
It is his desire that the club sponsor more social events and as the Sheet was going to press, a Mystery Ride, with Oscar Guyer as chairman, was being prepared for the last week in September. Mr. Guyer with his committee was preparing plenty of surprises along with entertainment which would make a very interesting social event.

Hallowe'en Party for October 25th

We all remember the very successful Hallowe'en party of last year and employees will be interested in knowing that another is planned for October 25th with Mary Sullivan heading the committee. She informs us that the program is not as yet complete, but desires as many as possible to attend in costume.

DR. TOUSIGNANT LOOKS OUT FOR LEWISTON'S HEALTH

He Knows Children Too



For this month's biographical sketch of a Lewiston employee, we have chosen Dr. Camille Tousignant, plant physician. During the past eight years, he has been assistant and consultant of Dr. Haskell, but on the sudden passing of Dr. Haskell, Dr. Tousignant accepted the position of plant physician in November 1940.

Born in Manchaug, Mass., he is a graduate of Georgetown University and the University of Georgia Medical College in the class of 1928.

On Staff at St. Mary's Hospital

Gaining considerable "book knowledge" he set out to gain actual experience and served one year as interne and one year as house physician at the University Hospital, and served one year of internship at St. Mary's Hospital at Lewiston. His fondness for children, their habits and illnesses, led him to pursue a special two year course at a children's hospital in Augusta, Georgia. Returning to the Pine Tree state, he commenced his practice at Lewiston in 1934. In addition to his services as plant physician and personal practice, he is on the medical staff at St. Mary's hospital and has charge of the children's department at that hospital.

APPLES ARE GOOD FOR YOU, AND NOW THEY'RE CHEAP

This Is One of the
Biggest McIntosh Years

The old saying that "an apple a day keeps the doctor away" has been found by dieticians and scientists to be a lot more truth than poetry. Apples are very rich in vitamins A and C. They are a natural laxative; they are a natural and sound digestive aid, for they aid both the acid and alkaline actions in the stomach. They help to reduce fatigue acids in the body, so they help to reduce fatigue itself. They are an aid to clear complexions, for the uronic acid in apples combats the toxins or poisons in the bloodstream. They help to cure and prevent colds by neutralizing acids in the bloodstream and building up the presence of lyozyme—a necessary element in good health. They contain calcium in easily used amounts so they help to build sound teeth, and they're generally good for children, because they help to combat many children's common diseases.

Store Apples In Cool Dark Place

Best of all though, apples are easy to make into many good and appetizing dishes and right at the present time they're cheap. The height of the apple season is about October 1. At that time they're in the best shape of the year, and usually at the lowest price. If you want, you can make apple sauce from them, can it, and use it right through the winter—and remember the vitamins A and C will be important during the winter months. You can buy them by the bushel and put them away for storage in a cool dark place. McIntosh are usually good eating until about Christmas, and then if you can get Northern Spys, they're better for the rest of the winter season.

Apples are one of New England's best "natural resources" so it's up to New Englanders to make the most of what they have in their own back yard. There are six million apple trees in New England, and to raise and harvest the crop gives employment to one hundred thousand New England people. More important than this is the substantial aid that



Children like apples and apples are good for children. This year apples are cheap and it's a good idea to keep a lot of them around the house so that children can eat them when they are hungry. This young fellow sets a good example.

apples provide for everyone in maintaining a healthy and balanced diet.

They Are Plentiful This Year

This is, fortunately for everyone's health, a good apple year in New England—in fact one of the best apple years on record. Most of the popular apples are not only selling at a very attractive price, but their quality is extremely high, and they are very plentiful.

If you like McIntosh apples, and they are one of the best of all, you're especially lucky, for there's been a bumper crop, and you can buy good ones, depending upon the quality, of course, from \$.50 to \$1.00 a bushel. They make fine eating apples, and they're equally good for pies, apple sauce, and other cooking dishes. There's been a pretty short crop of Baldwins this year, so it would probably be better to pass them by, even though they're a fine apple.

A lot of people don't like Gravensteins as well as McIntosh, but in some ways Gravensteins are as good or better. They don't look quite as attractive as McIntosh but they're the best cooking apple you can get. And for eating without cooking there's hardly a more delicious apple grown.

New Apple Doesn't Turn Dark

There's a new apple on the market called the Cortland that is exceptionally fine. It looks a little coarser than the McIntosh, but it tastes just as good. When it's cut, for instance in a salad, the meat doesn't turn brown, but stays the same color. When it's baked, the meat turns to a fine pink. It's a cross between a McIntosh and a Ben Davis, but a

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It's apple picking time in New England and this year with a very bountiful crop of many of the most popular apples is a good time to preserve them to stock up on them for the winter.

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lot of people say that it's better than either one of them.

In New England, one of the best apple districts in the whole country, there are seven leading and popular apples, McIntosh, Baldwin, Northern Spy, Wealthy, Gravenstein, Cortland and Delicious. Everyone of them is good, but each one of them differs from the other slightly enough so that they appeal to people for different reasons.



Right now is the height of the potato season and they can be bought at as good a price as at any time. Large families could well buy one or two hundred pounds now and keep them for use during the winter. Here are C. M. White, Maine Director of Markets, P. O. Petersen, Massachusetts Chief Inspector, and Louis Webster, Massachusetts Director of Markets, looking at the new crop.

J. W. SWEETSIR PROMOTED TO NEW JOB AT BIDDEFORD

To Supervise Two Shifts

J. William Sweetsir, who has been with Pepperell for the past 15 years, was promoted last month to Supervisor of the second and third shifts of the entire Sheeting Division at Biddeford.

Bill came to the Biddeford mill in December 1926 as assistant cotton classer, a position he held three years before he was made head cotton classer. In 1935 a vacancy occurred in the Second Hand position of the Carding department in mills four and five and he was promoted to that position. Two years later the mill management decided upon a general Second Hand for all Sheeting Card rooms and Mr. Sweetsir was selected, a position which he held until his present promotion.

Prominent in Athletics

Mr. Sweetsir was born in Saco, attended elementary schools in that city and was graduated from Thornton Academy in the class of 1910. During his four years' course at the Academy, he was very prominent in sports and was a member of the basketball, baseball and football teams. After receiving his sheepskin, he walked out of the Academy door and through the gates of the York Manufacturing Co., where he became interested in textiles, spending four years in the various productive departments.

Then in August 1915, Bill accepted a second hand's position in the spinning, spooling and warping departments of the Corr Mills, at Taunton, Mass., only to go to a similar position with the Otis Company in Ware, Mass., the following year. After serving one year in the Naval Reserve Corps, during the World War, he returned to the Otis Co., where he remained until accepting a position with the Saco-Lowell Shops in the erecting department. A year later, he was made foreman of the Roving Erecting Room at the shops, until coming to Pepperell in 1926.

Bill has been very prominent in the social activities here during the past 15 years and at present is president of the Foreman's Club. He is married, has one daughter, Helen, who is a junior at Bates College. The family reside on Nott St., in Saco, Maine.

LABORATORY AT BIDDEFORD HELPS THE WHOLE MILL

Tests Materials And
All Products

The popular idea of a laboratory is that of a chemical laboratory where acids, alkalies, starches, dyes, oils and softeners are aggregated or segregated. This is true to some extent, but a laboratory also consists of the human material of its personnel and instruments operated by them.

Laboratory Personnel

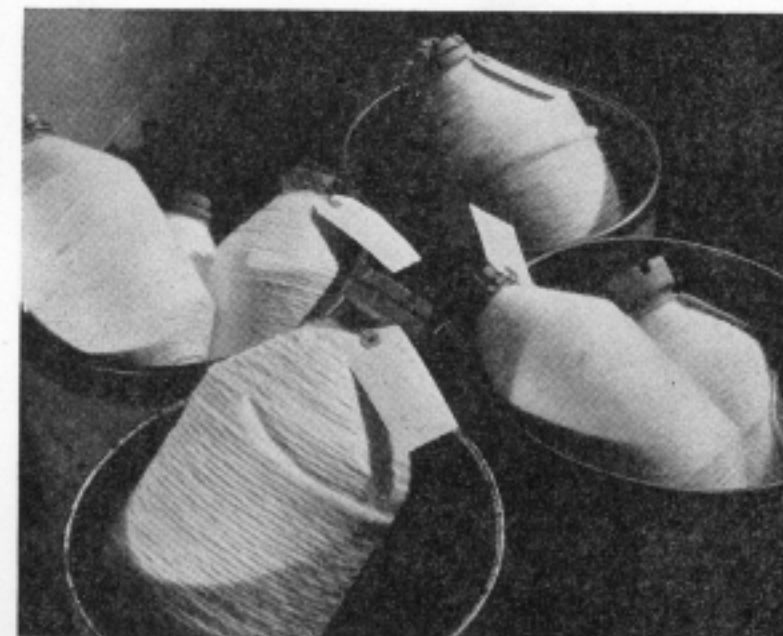
Very much of the work of a mill lab is routine in its nature. Work of this kind requires careful training, high accuracy, and on account of constant repetition, a high degree of patience. Any result out of the ordinary is reported at once so as to correct the condition before it gets into the process.

In Biddeford much of the cotton and wool stocks are tested at the laboratory before being purchased, especially those which are to be dyed. Wool stocks are tested for staple, fineness and conformity to our type samples by eye, ear and hand.

Dyestuffs and Softeners Require Rigid Tests

Chemical stocks consist of starches, germs, dyestuffs, salts, acids, alkalies, wetting-out and scouring agents—the usual run of dye house materials. With the close control exercised by all manufacturers of chemicals it is not necessary to test these, except in the case of dyestuffs and of softeners which are not today what they were before the war. Dyestuffs are tested for strength and truth of shade. Fastness of colors is accepted when used as a straight color but when two or more colors are mixed, this new shade must be tested in all its phases.

Our slubber, intermediate and fly frame rovings are tested for roving number or size, as a routine procedure. Every day, five bobbins of each of the various frames are sent to the laboratory. In addition, when a frame goes off in its production or when any mechanical change is made on a frame, its output is checked.



Here are samples of roving sent to the Biddeford Laboratory every morning for complete analysis. Reports are returned to the department so that quality standards can be kept uniform.

Daily Spinning Samples Analyzed

Daily samples come from both warp and filling frames with ten samples from each frame under test. Here again, beside the routine examination, checks are made of each frame whenever there has been any kind of a change made on it before its product goes back into work.

Twice each week, all widths of all styles from our looms come to the laboratory in the grey for a check on width, weight, sley, pick, break and size content. After every loom change, the resulting loom product is checked before the loom is released for production.

Why We Have a Laboratory

All of the above work is done with the primary object of helping manufacturing, producing standard woven cloth with the least possible trouble to the operating force, at the best possible cost to the mill and to satisfy the consumer.

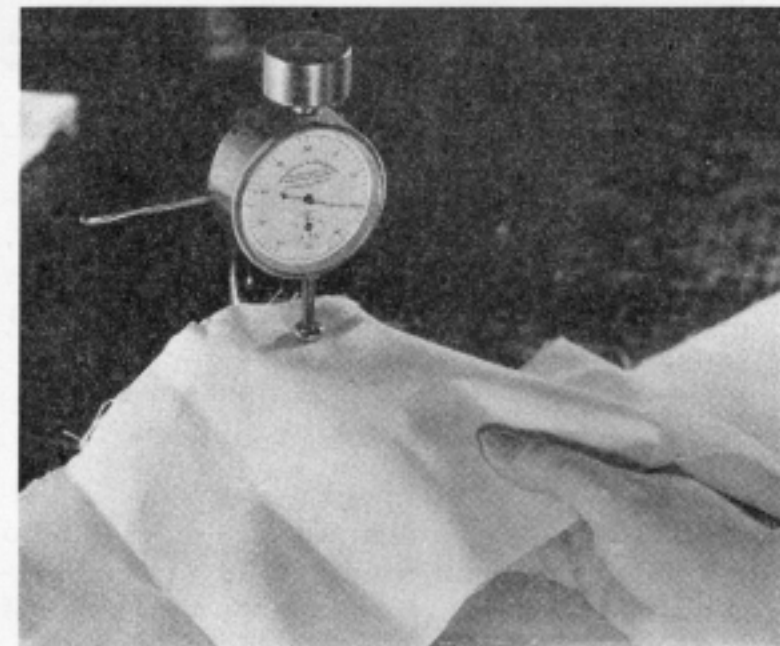
All complaints other than mechanical imperfections come to the Biddeford plant for testing. While this is not a major part of our laboratory work, it does present some interesting problems. The returned goods are examined not only for the purpose of finding out who it is that is at fault, whether mill, user or laundry; but what the fault is, what makes it, where it occurs and how it can be corrected.

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Not Magicians But Technicians

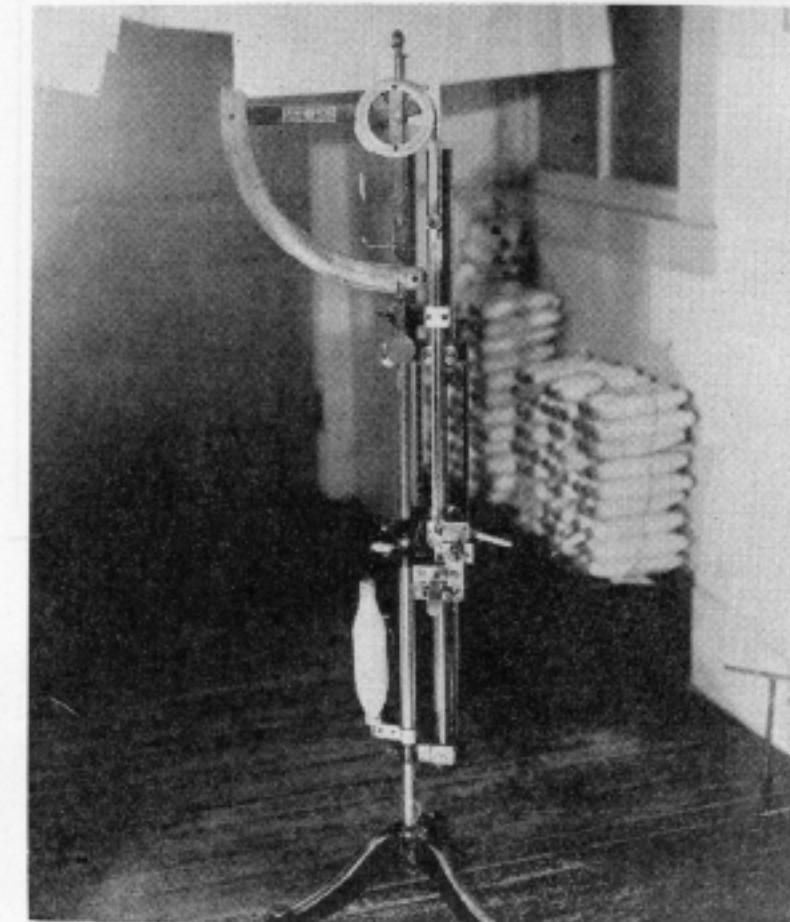
A mill laboratory is a work shop and cares nothing about accuracy of fifth and sixth decimal places. It is a place where visitors must not expect to be shown a bag full of tricks. We are concerned with maintaining the quality of our goods at a point higher than that attained by our competitors. We are concerned in seeing that our customers are kept satisfied, that where there are complaints, the customer has full information as to where the trouble lies. We are concerned in seeing that anything that is claimed for our products can be backed up by facts. Every step on each process is carefully analyzed to insure the quality of the fabric to bear the trademark of the Griffon.



This machine in the Biddeford Laboratory tests the thickness of cloth and is called a Densometer, which is merely one of the many different kinds of apparatus in the Laboratory.



This photograph looks into the door of what is called a Conditioning Oven. In each of the small bottles are samples of cloth that are completely dried out before testing, to provide standard conditions for all tests.



This apparatus in the Laboratory determines the tensile strength of yarns, an important fact in determining the weight and strength of the cloth into which the yarn is woven.



This machine reels off a designated amount of roving which will be later tested and weighed for complete uniformity—one of the regular jobs of the Laboratory.

CHANGES AND ADDITIONS AT BIDDEFORD MILL

Many Improvements Now
Under Way

Beam Storage Racks for Blanket Department

Sixteen beam racks have been purchased (11 short and 5 long) for the purpose of storing full loom beams. These racks will be erected in the east end of the Blanket Weave Room.

New Filling Trucks

One hundred steel clad trucks have been purchased to replace the present filling trucks, in the Sheeting Division. These filling trucks will operate between the yarn conditioning room and to the various weave rooms.

Preparing Weave Room for Peeress Sheeting

Room 52-B is to be reconditioned throughout. A new floor is to be laid, the first floor to be of hemlock and covered by hardwood flooring; walls



Mr. Truslow, superintendent, and Mr. Dunlap, mill manager, of Pepperell's Fall River mill, snapped enjoying themselves at the recent outing at Crescent Park.



High, dry and handsome. This about tells the story of Blanche Bolka, Lewiston sheet factory employee. This picture was taken while she was on her honeymoon at Rock Haven.

and ceilings to be painted, fluorescent lighting installed; new motors for the looms, and humidifier, pipe and electric lines to be rearranged. The Peeress sheets are to be woven here after the changeover has been completed.

List of Buildings Sold

To date, five mill buildings have been sold. Building 25 has been sold to Harry B. Center; No. 26 to Warren C. Thompson; No. 22 to the Warren Furniture Company; No. 21 to the Saco-Lowell Shops and the storehouse located at the Main Street crossing of the Eastern Division of the Boston & Maine R. R. to the Biddeford & Saco Grain Co.

Laconia Street Repaired

A portion of Laconia Street at the intersection of Main Street has been repaired. 900 square feet was given an application of asphalt and crushed stone.

Surplus Equipment Sold

Twelve high speed warpers beams with a 28 inch diameter, stored in room 51-B, were recently sold. They were surplus equipment.

Production Lines Rerouted

An order has been issued and executed, to remove the lighting wires and power circuit feeding building 24, from building 4 and replaced on mill 3-B. Steam, water and air pipes were moved and run through the newly constructed tunnel from building 21.

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To Increase Blanket Drying Production

One pair of Mt. Hope guiders, one bracket type guider stand for cloth up to 90 inches wide, one adjustable squeezer and one overhead sheave were recently purchased. They are to be used in connection with the dry cans in room 17-1 for piece drying of blankets to increase the production of drying.

Electric Lift for Beams

An electric hoist and track has been purchased for the use of the Blanket Weave Room. This will be used in connection with the warp racks to lift the beams from trucks and place them in the racks.

35 C. & K. Looms Sold

35 Crompton & Knowles 4x1 automatic looms located in the Blanket Weave Room have been sold. They were surplus equipment.

New Elevator for No. 2 Mill

An Otis electric freight elevator for the north end of No. 2 mill is to be installed. It is very similar to the new ones located in various parts of the mills. It will replace the one now in use between mills 2-B and 2-C.

Electric Clocks for Production Rooms

There's no time like correct time. There are 47 Western Union electric clocks to be installed soon

in the production rooms. They are to be connected to a master clock in the Western Union office which is checked for accuracy every hour.

Saco-Lowell Hopper Feeders for 17-4

Three 43 inch Saco-Lowell Hopper Feeders have been purchased for room 17-4. They will improve the blend in blankets and increase the feeders to five for this room.

Roller Conveyor for Roving Cans

A roller conveyor system is to be installed from room 22-C to 22-B. Roving cans filled with card sliver will be conveyed from a 60 card section to Draw frames. It will be installed upon arrival.

Vacuum Device for Card Stripping

Vacuum Card stripping and waste conveying equipment is shortly to be installed for the Sheeting Division. Cards were always stripped by hand and through the new method a better job will be done by a vacuum system. The conveyor system will carry the waste from the Cards to the waste machine at the Waste House.

Instrument for Slasher

A complete Brown Moist-O-Graph Control has been ordered to be installed on the slasher frame being erected in room 85. This slasher which was stored in room 51-B will be used in dressing regular Pepperell yarn and absorb the overload of the other frames.

In 1891, or 50 years ago, these men were employed in the Laconia dressing room. Left to right, seated are: William Whitten, Edward Marston, Orvil D. Bryant, overseer; Joseph Wilbur, Daniel Small, and Robert Rivers. Standing: Frank Pepin, Sam Hirst, Hartley Goodwin, Joseph Pequin, John Bonser, Charles Bonser, Thomas Cullinan and Dennis T. Sullivan. An interesting sidelight on Mr. Wilbur is that at the age of two he was kidnapped by the Indians at Marblehead, and remained with them for 16 years when his sister recognized him at So. Portland, Maine. He then came here to Biddeford and later became a slasher tender.



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH IN BIDDEFORD STARTED BY M. PONSARDIN

First French Parish Formed
In 1870

The first all-French parish in Biddeford was formed in May 1870, for previous to this the Irish and French Roman Catholics were worshipping together at St. Mary's parish. This new group purchased the Methodist church, located at the corner of Alfred and Bacon streets (where the Central Theatre stands today) for \$5,000. M. Jean-Francois Ponsardin was the first Curate.

First Wedding Solemnized

The first wedding in the newly formed parish was on June 4, 1870, when Jean Baptiste Dany married Celina Rochefort. The first child in the parish to be baptised was the offspring of Alfred Pombriant and Angele Rochefort Pombriant on May 15, 1870 and was given the name of Marie Josephine.

Later, on July 28, 1871 the property at the corner of Green and Center streets was purchased for ten thousand dollars to be used as a Rectory. It was the home of the late Col. Charles Twambley.

Site for Church Selected

After several years, during which time the French-Canadian population had increased, it was decided to build a larger church. The property at the corner of Elm Street and Emery's Court owned by a Mr. Perkins was selected and a purchase price of \$5,000 was made. This was in April 1873.

Drawings of the tentative church were made and accepted and called for an edifice 175 feet long and 70 feet wide, to seat 1600 people. The architect was J. B. Samuels of Boston, the contractors were Furbish and Swett of Lewiston and the brick mason in charge was E. A. McEachrea of Lewiston. It is also fitting at this time to mention that Israel Shevenell, the first Frenchman to come to Biddeford and



Monsieur Ponsardin was the first curate of St. Mary's Parish in Biddeford, which in turn was the first French Catholic Parish in the city. The article on these three pages explains the work that M. Ponsardin started, the development of the church, the building of the rectory and details of the ceremony which opened the new church. The four curates who have officiated in this church are also mentioned and the whole article is an interesting commentary on the development of this important parish.

the grandfather of Israel Shevenell, present loom-fixer in 82-A, hauled many loads of gravel with his one horse cart.

New Church Blessed on May 9, 1883

After several years of patient waiting, the blessing of the church took place on May 9, 1883. Up to this time, Biddeford had never received so many eminent prelates and distinguished representatives of the Roman Catholic Church. Preparations for the beautiful ceremony had been made long in advance and it was complete in all minor details. It was very interesting to all, including those who did not belong to the faith.

The church was constructed at a cost of \$125,000, and a good part of that sum was composed of voluntary contributions from the French of the two cities. Then, it was the largest and most beautiful French church in the state of Maine. Both the exterior and interior were beautifully decorated under the able leadership of Dr. Ferdinand Bernier.

Distinguished Clergy Arrive for Ceremonies

A large number of the clergy to witness the cere-

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Entrance to St. Joseph's Church on Elm Street, Biddeford. This property was acquired in April, 1873, and ten years later, on May

9th, the newly erected church was blessed in the presence of many distinguished representatives of the Roman Catholic Church.

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mony arrived in Biddeford the day before, but the morning of the ceremony the greatest number arrived, having with them the Bishop to officiate at the ceremony. The train arrived at 9:25 and the visitors were welcomed by Mayor E. W. Staples, Rev. P. E. Dupont and members of St. Jean Baptiste, with the St. Joseph Society, all preceded by a band of the Institute.

The procession marched to the church and after the Bishop had blessed the church according to habitual ceremony, the Rev. John E. Barry of Concord, N. H., and Vicar General of the Diocese, performed solemn mass. Accompanying him to the altar were eight clergy representing towns and cities in Maine and New Hampshire. The sermon was

given by Rev. Father J. A. L. Mothon, O. P. of Lewiston.

Peter Painchaud Directs Orchestra

A mixed choir of 30 voices sang the mass with an orchestra accompaniment under the direction of Peter L. Painchaud with R. H. Phippen, organist. After solemn mass, two parishioners by the name of Alphonse Pare and Miss Fannie Cote, approached the sanctuary and delivered an address of appreciation to Bishop Healy. After the ceremonies, a dinner was held at the Biddeford House (now Hotel Thatcher) with Bishop Healy and many other members of the clergy and parishioners attending. All visitors took the 4:20 train to return to their homes.

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The Three Bells Are Blessed

At seven o'clock on the evening of Dec. 13, 1900, the blessing of the three bells took place. Father Dupont had previously gone to New York and given the contract for the melting of the bells. The ceremony was the most solemn that the parishioners had ever witnessed. Bishop James A. Healy had passed away and the Archbishop of the city of Quebec, Monsignor L. N. Begin was invited; The large bell was named "Marie-Joseph Ann," the middle size, "Michel-Pierre-Leon XIII" and the smallest one "Therese-Angele-Jean-Baptiste." Parishioners filled the church to capacity.

Much Credit Given Four Curates

At the time of the founding of St. Joseph's parish (1870) thanks naturally went to Father Ponsardin, for it was he that established, among difficulties, the parish and started the erection of the church. Before the church was completed, services were held in the basement. To his successor, Father Dupont, the parish owes the completion of the church. Although he too encountered many difficulties, his faith in God and his undying devotion allowed him to follow through. He also built the school and convent, for Father Dupont was known as a man of action.

The death of Fr. Dupont opened the ranks for his successor, Monsignor A. A. Hamel, who continued the work of his predecessor. Although he was head of the parish for but a short time, his years of experience assured him success in the enterprise.



Formerly the Shaw home on Green Street, it is now the Brothers' home who teach at the St. Louis High School. Since this property was acquired, an addition has been made, as seen on the right of the picture.

Monsignor Laflamme's Accomplishments Are Many

Rev. J. A. Laflamme came here in May 1920. He came with a fine reputation as being a good Christian, a fine administrator and devoted pastor and he has certainly lived up to his reputation. By his ability he has accomplished a great deal in the parish, for he has remodelled the church, modernized the St. Joseph School, purchased the Shaw home on Green street for the Brothers and erected the St. Louis school and the Parish Hall.



The former home of the late Col. Charles Twambley, at the corner of Green and Center Streets, is now the Rectory for St. Joseph's Parish. The property was purchased on July 28, 1871.

The recreation building, used and owned by St. Joseph's Parish. Various forms of social activities are conducted here, much to the pleasure of those attending.

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Sgt. Giroux of Biddeford pauses long enough for a picture. Note the mosquito bar on the tent and the fine manly figure of Sgt. Giroux, developed from several months' experience in Army life.



Pvt. Courtois of Biddeford is going to make sure that no mosquitoes are going to bother him while sleeping. These nets are put on over the regular "pup" tent.



The three musketeers, Corp. Gaudette, Pvt. Henaire and Sgt. Hood, all of Biddeford, feeling at ease. All boys are kept very busy on all sorts of manoeuvres, together with constructing roads and bridges.



First Sergeant Patterson of Company A in a rather serious mood, as he surveys the conditions at Ragley, La. Patterson was formerly associated with the Western Union and made frequent calls to Pepperell at Biddeford.



Lt. Scothorne, supervising chow for Company A. It is no small job to prepare meals for the boys, but they are provided plenty of vitamins and energy producing foods, at every meal.



Time out for eats. Corp. Gosselin is enjoying a half a watermelon, which are very inexpensive at Ragley. Fresh from the patches, the watermelons are replacing apples which the boys are accustomed to eating this time back home in Biddeford.

WHO'S WHO
IN BIDDEFORD

PRESCOTT L. HOWARD, *Editor-in-Chief*

BLANKET NAPPING ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Joseph Downes and Antonio Guilbault.*

¶ Mr. Bilbride, our Overseer, has just returned after a three weeks' vacation. We all hope that you enjoyed it.

¶ In our last article we mentioned about Alphonse, trying to grow a mustache, and how long it would take. He shaved it off before the publication came out. Guess he must have given up hope. Hope he does not decide to raise one before this comes out.

¶ What is the car with the name "Rocket" printed on the spare tire, doing at the Halfway on Saturday nights? Know anything about it Harold?

¶ There isn't any Marine base around Biddeford, but Rosy seems to know where to find them; or do they just find her?

¶ We wonder what Pop-eye is going to do now that Old Orchard Beach is closed.

¶ Archille Boucher took a week's vacation and was a visitor in Canada.

¶ We have been wondering if Eddie has a banana tree in his back yard. He certainly takes enough to work with his lunch. He has earned himself the name "Banana Kid."

¶ But Eddie isn't the only one. It seems every time you turn around, Arthur is drinking a bottle of coke. Guess we'll have to call him the "Coca-Cola Kid."

¶ Tommy Jones had visitors from New York over the holidays. He was seen showing them around Old Orchard Beach. It seems he was enjoying it more than they were.



Miss Josephine Murphy of the advertising department of Boston was married on September 6th to Capt. Gilroy F. Linehan, Jr., captain in the 241st Coast Artillery. They took an extended wedding trip to Quebec, Montreal and Niagara Falls, and this photograph was taken at the latter place.



Mr. Emile Croteau and little Miss Yolande Fortier, high on a windy "hill" in New Hampshire. These folks are the nephew and niece of Amanda Croteau, who is employed in the sheeting cloth room at Biddeford.

MECHANICAL DEPT. — Biddeford

¶ Joseph Boisvert and J. Napoleon Roy, Carpenters, and Amedee Mercier, of the Roll Shop were Labor Day visitors in Canada.

¶ Arthur Hanson has moved from Dayton to Biddeford.

¶ Kenneth Foss, Electrician and Commander of the submarine base at Sandy Brook, entertained the children of the Unity Fair by giving them pony rides.

¶ Percy Hood concluded his haying last month on the ratio of two loads of hay to one of cider apples.

¶ Dr. Aldorien Belisle they call him for he set a broken wing on a sea gull and then made a cast iron cast for the bird. By using the cast iron, the boys at the shop claim he is materially slowing down production on defense work.

¶ Sorry, Clarence, nothing to report this month.

¶ Lewis Berry, ring throwing champion of the mechanical crews, was a Labor Day visitor in Providence, R. I.

¶ Roy Hirst has been transferred to the paint shop crew and Roland Beaudoin to the lubricating department.

¶ William P. Murphy, machinist, recently witnessed a baseball game at Boston. Bill is an ardent follower of the sport.

¶ John Frates, Jr., has purchased a new Ford car, turning his other in as a contribution for scrap iron for National Defense.

¶ Charles Leach, K.P.C.G. (Kennebunk Pond Coast Guard) recently surveyed the destroyer fleet while in Portland lower bay.

¶ The guest book at the Ledgewood reveals the names of William Leighton and Fred Grace as dinner guests. They ate three chickens under a tree in their own inimitable style.

¶ Wayne Townsend, sandwich king, reports all going nicely at the kennel.

¶ May we take this opportunity to welcome new employees to our department.

BLANKET CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Rose Bouthot, Catherine Bizantakos*

¶ Ho hum, how time flies. Here it is fall again. Almost everything and everyone is about the same, (almost) but for a few exceptions.

¶ Take Blanche Crepeau, she's changed. It must be that married life agrees with her. She's putting on weight.

¶ I guess "Julie" Garon is the same, but she won't smile at me anymore. I wonder why, what's the matter, Julie?

¶ Look at Janet Gagnon. She's still taking little trips here and there. She recently visited friends and relatives in New York. She told me she liked New York and I don't wonder.

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¶ "Petite Betty" Mantis is back to work minus her tonsils. Gee, I hope you can eat now, Betty.

¶ Henry Drapeau still goes to Canada now and then. He went there with his wife over the Labor Day holiday. He must have visited the places where he once courted his wife.

¶ And that Belisle couple, Albert and Esther, were there, too, at the same time. They had a good time, no doubt.

¶ The place in 16-2 was lonesome for Mabel Pothier. She was out sick for seven weeks, but by now she's back, I hope. Come down and see her, folks, and while you're at it, listen to her snap her gum. Gee, we *missed* you, Mabel.

¶ What's Gloria Scontras going to do now that Amelia Katsiburas has moved to Lynn, Mass.? Amelia was presented with a beautiful onyx ring before she left. Hope you will like Mass.

¶ It seems that everyone has been visiting Canada, lately. Albert Huot is there now for a week or two. While I am sitting here writing this I can't help but wonder what he is doing right now. *Hope* he's having a grand time.

¶ Congratulations to Ethel Gaudette who must be "tickled" over the birth of an eleven pound baby boy. We're all glad for Ethel, knowing that she wanted a boy.

¶ Annie Cowgill decided to visit the soldiers at Fort Rodman, New Bedford, several Sundays ago. *She* hasn't changed any. Poor Annie. It doesn't take much to make her slip and fall. You ought to reserve a certain spot, Annie, and every time you decide to fall, *walk past it*.

¶ Burton Cutler's marriage to Annabelle Walton, on Sept. 12, won't change him any. He'll still smile and speak to everyone, as he's always done. We all wish you happiness, Mr. Cutler.

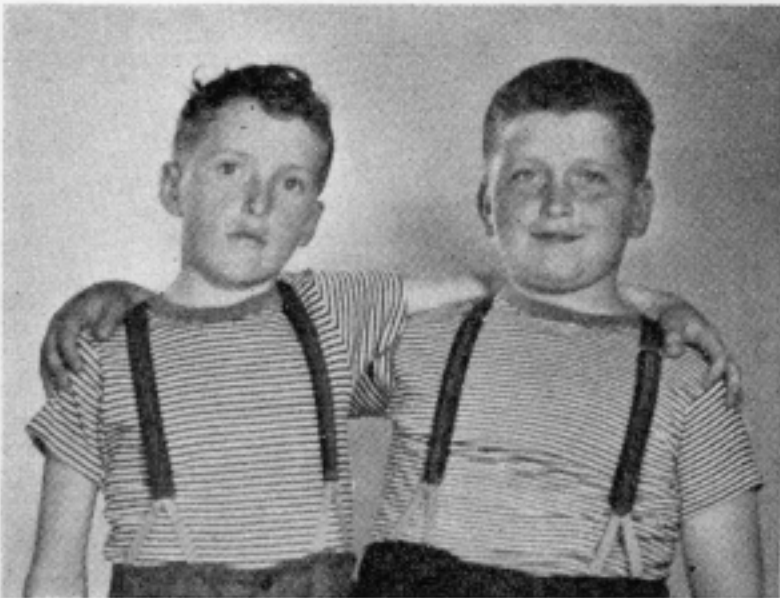
Ask "Chic" How Deep It Is

¶ Of, of course, I *must* mention Edith Perkins. Her month's up so she's back again as beautiful as ever. *Yes*, I said *beautiful*. Ask her if you don't believe me. She admitted it herself.

¶ Saw Frankie Spencer's baby and from what I saw, *he's* the old man all over. No wonder Frankie thinks the world of him. We don't blame you.

¶ The boys are wondering when "Chic" Johnson is going to finish the well *he* started to build the early part of the summer. With the help of his father-in-law (they tell me he's good natured, lucky "Chic") it might be finished by this time next year.

¶ Jeff Peppin has changed in a good looking sort of way. I guess you all know that it's the new set of teeth that makes him look so handsome.



Emile, 9, and Richard Champagne, 11, who are living in Asbestos, Quebec. Their mother was formerly employed at the Biddeford mill.

¶ Right now, the luckiest among us, I should say, is Blanche Bourgeault who is in **Florida**.

¶ Bernice Bouthillette is proud of the diamond ring Paul Dion gave her. Wedding date has been set for October 18. We wish the both of you **all the** luck in the world.

¶ I don't want to forget Laurette Nolette who is out on a two months' leave of absence. Wonder what she'll be like when she returns. Take care of yourself, Laurette.

¶ Gee, I hope Lucille Boutin will be back to work by the time the Sheet is out. Hurry back, Lucille, Kate Hyland misses you.

¶ We wish to extend our condolences to Ida Chadbourne whose mother passed away recently.

¶ Ho hum, **here I go again**. What a day. It's enough to make anyone lazy. Me for a nap. Well, so long folks, I'll be seeing you—in a month.

BLANKET WEAVE ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTER: Ernest Guilmette.

¶ Raoul Pregean has been promoted from stock boy of the 2nd shift, to weaver on the 3rd shift, and Armand Grebin has replaced Ralph on the 2nd shift.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bergeron, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Leclair, Mr. and Mrs. Fernand Gobeil attended a show in Boston last Labor Day.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. John Bergeron visited their son, who is in college in Canada, last Labor Day.

¶ Miss Gabriel Mercier was also a holiday visitor in Montreal and other places in Canada.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Aime Nadeau, Mr. and Mrs. William Brousseau, attended a wedding in Sherbrooke, Canada. They are both employed in Room 13-2.

¶ Mr. Armand Boilard, second hand on the 3rd shift, is back with us after enjoying a week's vacation. Nice going Armand. Folks did you know Armand is quite a carpenter, building his own home.

¶ Lucille Guay is back to work after being out a week on account of sickness.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cabana were visitors in Canada over the Labor Day week end, visiting in St. Hyacinthe, Quebec.

¶ Miss Rose Eva Jacques was a visitor in Connecticut over Labor Day.

¶ Antonio Binette attended a wedding in Hartford, August 30th, 1941, also visiting relatives and friends.

¶ Paul Dubois has left our employ and has entered Portland Shipping Yard.

¶ Mr. Oliva Larriviere and family motored to Sherbrooke, Canada, over the Labor Day holiday.

SHEETING CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: Antoinette Hannah and Mary Goldthwaite.

¶ Amanda Martineau celebrated her 25th wedding anniversary Sept. 4th.

¶ Among those visiting out of town over the Labor Day week end were: Carolin Whitworth week-ended in Rockdale, Mass., Donald Freeland in Vermont, Amanda Martineau in Canada, Candide Derosier in Hartford, Conn., Eva Boisvert in Vermont, Lillian Washburn in Merrimac, Mass.

¶ Lucienne Levallee was a guest of Mr. Raymond Hamel at a shore dinner recently.

¶ Emeliene Fournier has joined the force on the second shift. We are all glad to see her back with us again.

¶ Sorry to report, Bernadette Bouffard is ill at the Webber Hospital. We hope she will have a speedy recovery and be back with us soon.

¶ Patricia Lessard is absent from work on account of illness.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Martin visited in Dover, New Hampshire, over the Labor Day week end.

¶ Albert Camden is spending a week's vacation visiting in New York. Albert started his trip by flying from Portland to Boston and then by boat to New York.

¶ Have you tried whistling Lill?

¶ Rose Driscoll and Blanche Desnoyer attended the wedding of Rose's nephew, Harold Durancieu, to Marcelle Cote at St. Andre's Church, Saturday, Sept. 6th.

¶ Mrs. Eileen Pinkham has joined the working force on the third shift.
¶ Mrs. Isabelle Grenier spent a week's vacation in Canada.
¶ Mr. Adolphe Gagnon spent his vacation in Canada.
¶ Martha Neault was a recent visitor in Dover, N. H.
¶ A. Binette was the guest of her mother in Rockland over the holiday.
¶ Eddie Herrick has discovered that his body is weaker than his mind, or could it be that he was lonesome for Gene, for he is back with us again on the third shift.
¶ Miss Kathie Gallaros was a recent visitor in Nashua, N. H. Is it possible there is a man in the case—we wonder.
¶ Housewives take a tip! Eddie Berube has that feminine touch, and can swing that broom with rhythm.

SHEETING SPINNING — Biddeford

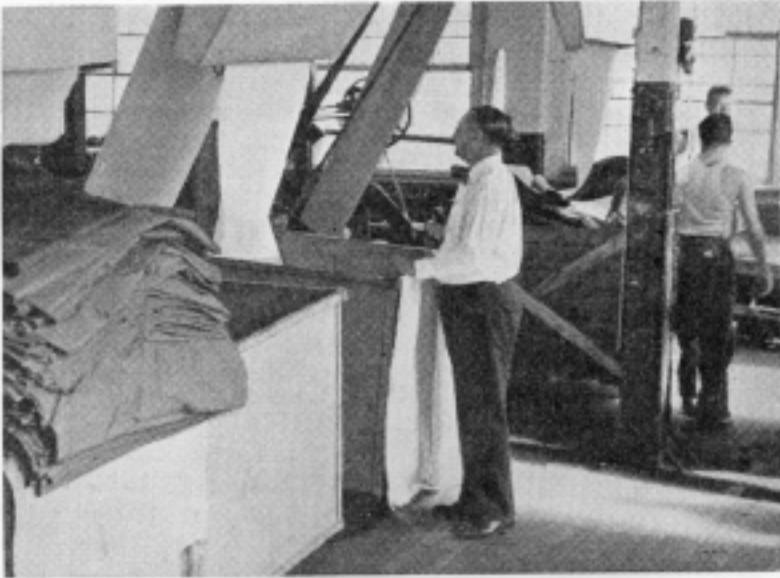
REPORTERS: *Emelia Lariviere, Adrien Lefebvre, Emelia Lacroix, Renald Lauzon, Fernand Lefebvre, Evelyn Collard, Isabelle Picard, Rose Baillargeon, Rose Rousselle, Warren Reed, Jeannette Lajoie, Laura Dubuc, Irene Laverriere, Lucienne Bernier, Delcia Frechette, Paul Ayoitte, Martha Terlale, Leonel Perreault, Urbain Perreault, Bernadette Poissant, Yvonne Boissonneault.*

¶ Mrs. St. Marie and Mrs. Garon of Cleaves St., are visiting Mr. Rose LeBlanc of Camp Ellis. Mrs. LeBlanc is employed in 8-4A on the 3rd shift.
¶ Mrs. Alice Thompson of room 74 is out sick. We hope you will return soon.
¶ We are glad to have our boss, Mr. Larriviere, returned from his vacation. We hope you had a good time Pete.
¶ Mr. Dubois, our second hand, has gone to Providence, R. I., for his vacation.
¶ Mr. Larriviere and Mr. Dubois were replaced by Mr. Roland Collard, during their vacation.
¶ Mr. Donald Perron went to Canada on Labor Day.
¶ Mrs. Anette Gagne and Blanche Camire have been transferred to the second from the third shift.
¶ Mrs. Annette Gagne has moved from Summer to Alfred St.
¶ Master Robert Russell, son of Rose Russell, who works in 54-B has returned from the hospital and showing much improvement.
¶ Master Robert Belair, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Ovila Belair of 54-B has entered his third grade in school.
¶ Mr. Leonel and Andre Perreault visited Montreal on the holiday week end.
¶ Greetings to you Mr. Bolduc, our new doffer learner in 24-B, 3rd shift.
¶ Mr. Leo Spenard "Our Section Hand" and family are visiting some of their relatives in Montreal.
¶ Paul B. fell off the water wagon. Hope you'll climb back on it.
¶ Mrs. Laura Travers was visiting friends in Lawrence, Mass., during the holiday.

SHEETING CARDING — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Sarah Whitworth, Herbert Sears, Paul Leblond, Oscar Blanchette, Raymond Gendron, Maurice Thompson, Joseph Cook, Emelin Morin.*

¶ John Lee, Sr., was a visitor in Boston and Fall River over Labor Day. John also visited the Pepperell Mill at Fall River.
¶ Here is one for the Record. Nap. Duprie of the Opening Room, took his second Honeymoon September 6th, and went to Salem, Mass. It seems Nap forgot about the closing of gas stations at 7 o'clock at night and when he got about twenty miles from Salem, he ran out of gas, so there was nothing to do but sleep in the car all night. To hear Nap talk about it he said after twenty-two years married, sleeping in a car or on a feather bed is all the same to him.
¶ Philip (Maggie) Martel is visiting the Nutshell Restaurant a bit lately. What is the big idea Maggie, your reporter knows she is from Fort Kent.
¶ Arthur Letendre, foreman of the Third Shift of the Opening Room, is back to work after being out sick for a week. Glad to see you back Arthur.



Foreman William D. MacFarlane of the Frame Room at Lewiston follows up the work performed in this department by inspecting the cloth as it comes off the frames.

¶ Ernest Poirier of the Opening Room, was a visitor at Sandybrook Fair, Saco, Saturday, Sept. 6th.
¶ Henry (Dusty) Dumont, of the Cotton Crew, was almost a visitor in Canada over Labor Day, but it seems Dusty started off with no road map, being his first time starting for Canada he got lost and when Dusty landed at Sebago Lake, being lost, he started to ask questions. He looked at the lake and said to a man there, "Say Mister, what is that, the St. Lawrence River?" Better luck next time Dusty.
¶ The boys of the Opening Room are happy over the 10% raise granted Sept. 8th.
¶ Mr. Bernard Brady is all keyed up these days, as it is coming on Fall, he is looking forward to the second Minstrel Show. Mr. Brady started the first Minstrel Show the Pepperell ever had last May, and it was a grand affair. He told your reporter that the Foremen's Club are planning on putting on one of the biggest Minstrel Shows this Fall, that has ever been staged in Biddeford or Saco. We wish you luck Mr. Brady. P.S. Mr. David Cook, our Agent, told your reporter that he is behind it one hundred per cent.
¶ Mr. William Acton, our Cotton Inspector, has returned to work after two weeks' vacation spent at Fall River. How is the old town Bill? Did you find many changes?
¶ Oscar Martel and wife spent Labor Day at Hill's Beach. Oscar's back was a little sore Tuesday when he returned to work. Was it from digging clams Oscar?
¶ We are glad to see Mrs. W. Roy, drawing frame tender, back with us, also Mrs. A. Belanger, fly frame tender, both were former employees.
¶ Oliver Cantara is back on his job after a week's illness.
¶ Card Grinder M. Thompson, was given a new job recently, he is our "drawing sizer." Good for you Maurice.
¶ Card Stripper O. Cyr, who possesses the title of "Champ" clam digger, is thinking of entering the whaling business, since he saw one in Saco, Maine.
¶ Card stripper S. Caouette, who is working with Cyr and Patterson, plans to enter some "liars" contest, having learned the business through his co-workers.
¶ We have been hearing a lot lately about the case of the missing barrel. Ernest (Dr.) Watson, is allergic to metal barrels, so perhaps he can tell us more about the case.
¶ John Daly spent the Labor Day week end in Boston with friends.
¶ Margaret Sullivan is out on a leave of absence on account of sickness. Hope to see you back soon.
¶ John Higginbottom attended the Topsfield, Mass., fair recently.
¶ Jeannette Poirier spent the week in Montreal. While there she saw the Duke of Kent.

TOWEL CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: Natalie Keene, Laurence Beaudette.

¶ As Summer takes a final curtain call and Autumn awaits the cue for its debut, we now leave behind us happy memories of a very pleasant vacation season full to the brim with incidents of fun, laughter and joy. This time of the year is the interlude between Act One, Summer, and Act Two, Winter. It is a dull period devoted to checking our accounts after a gala season and trying to find enough dimes in our little banks to carry us through to an hilarity festival of snow and ice and incidentally Christmas presents. Remember it is only three months to Christmas. Shop early. "Buy Pepperell products, to stock your closets".

¶ "It's a strike"—wow! "It's a spare!"—zowie! Yes, folks, it's bowling time rolling around again and you can bet that the Towel Department will trim those ding dong "gutter throwers" representing the Blanket Department, "Two Gun Eva" or not. Bring them on! Pauline, Ann, Nat and the others will be waiting for them.

¶ We extend a warm welcome to Mrs. Maud Rolgaski, a new co-worker, whom we unintentionally overlooked in our greeting last month.

¶ Mrs. Lillian DuPont and husband spent a week in Canada recently, and to hear the stories that Lil has spun for us, they certainly had a grand time.

¶ Eva Gaudette, Leona Poirier and Corinne Proctor motored to Dunstan with Mrs. R. Farley recently. They dined at the "Tarry-A-While" and later attended a motion picture show in Portland, followed by a late lunch at the "Morocco".

¶ Mrs. Jean St. Amand spent the holiday week end as guests of relatives in Boston.

¶ Josie spent a very quiet holiday! Would you believe that it could be quiet with our vivacious Josie around. I doubt it!

¶ Jean Gagne visited the Nation's Capital on a week's vacation, and boy what an eyeful the Senators and Congressmen must have had of our little girl.

WHO'S WHO
IN FALL RIVER

H. A. TRUSLOW, Fall River Editor

SPINNING ROOM "B" MILL — Fall River

REPORTER: Marion Dupuis

¶ We welcome to our department Miss Marjorie Tessier and also Miss Dorothy Whitehead.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Emond motored to Canada and had a very enjoyable trip.

¶ We offer our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lavoie in their recent bereavement.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey spent their vacation in New York. They visited many of the sights and had a grand time.

¶ Mrs. St. Amand spent her vacation in Canada.

¶ We hear that Alma didn't care about the company who wanted to escort her home during the Legionnaires Convention.

¶ We hope Mr. and Mrs. Lamarre see a ball game in Boston this time. It is generally called off for wet grounds or rain when they get there.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Garand entertained friends and relatives from New York.

¶ We wish the best of luck to Mr. and Mrs. Valentine's son who will be married in the near future.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Beattie and Mr. and Mrs. Costa spent the Labor Day week end in Hartford.

¶ Our annual dance award this year goes to Laurence LaGarde, that cute little bundle of hilarity, for the fancy steps and cut-ups that she performs on the Pier. The 1940 award went to Laurent Hevey, remember?

¶ Add a new title for one of our girls, "Mistress of Footwear", Anastasia Tsomides.

¶ Pauline Boutet seems terribly nervous these days. Could it be that she isn't sure that she shut those 2,000 window-less windows in her aunt's hotel at Old Orchard.

¶ Charlene Tibbetts can "ad lib" with the best of them. If you don't think so, just you make a remark to her, and she'll crack back at you faster than John Barrymore, the king of ad-libbers. Of course it's a little on the corny side.

¶ With the advent of the pig-skin parade, Lilyan and Andre DuPont will again be in attendance at the major grid battles.

¶ Birthday greetings go out this month to Leona Poirier and Charlene Tibbetts. As an added event Charlene is also celebrating a wedding anniversary.

¶ In looking over back numbers of "The Sheet", we note that Fall River and Lewiston have held annual outings this year, and we wonder why our local employees don't get together and arrange to hold a similar affair next year. Come on everyone, let's get back of this movement.

¶ Don't look now folks, but when you haven't anything better to do, give a glance at the Blanket Cloth Room notes, and tell me if you notice anything different about them. Rather tame now aren't they. Cathy and Rose have evidently run out of offensive ammunition, but they certainly have a monopoly on the pronoun I—.

¶ The girls in this department would like to know what in tarnation Herbert "Glamour P—s" Sears ever walked so far with so little, for his lady friend. After all, "G.P.," you could have made it a five pound box, you know.

¶ Shhhhhh! Are you listening, the fire bell is ringing. And I'm running, guess where. To Charlene's, of course.

CARDING DEPARTMENT — Fall River

REPORTER: Beatrice Dupuis

¶ The members of our department wish to congratulate the newly elected officers of the Pepperell Social Club. Among those present at the last meeting were Margaret Joubert, Marion DeFusco, Mr. Lambert and Beatrice Dupuis. A mystery ride is to take place in the near future and later on we are to have a Hallowe'en Party. Let's hope we can all attend these parties.

¶ Mrs. Mary Amaral is back to work after spending a week honeymooning in the Mountains.

¶ Mr. Bernard Thibeault is also back from his honeymoon.

¶ We are sorry to lose Ann Bullard. She has left us for a different position.

¶ I wonder what the big attraction is in Maine this year, maybe Bertha can tell us, this has been her second trip.

¶ Believe it or not, folks, but Johnny DeFusco really did take a trip to New York and back in that Jalopypy.



You'd never guess but this cute little lady is Margaret Clabby when she was a little girl. Margaret is now employed in the sheet factory at Lewiston.



John Touchette, snapped at Lake Thompson where he caught that big fish he probably told you about. John works in the Lewiston sheet factory.

PLANT B CLOTH DEPT. — Fall River

REPORTER: *Ethel Marston*

¶ We wish to welcome back to work with us Margaret Robinson. Margaret worked with us a few years back.
¶ Lucy is back from spending her vacation in New York and had a marvelous time.
¶ Delia is also back. She had a wonderful trip through the White Mts. and into Canada.
¶ Bella spent her vacation in the State of Maine. While there she visited Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Grant who formerly had charge of our Open Stock Department. Mr. Grant is now employed by Pepperell at Biddeford.
¶ Dot Barrowclough spent the week end in New York. Minnie went to the White Mts. Kay stayed at Alton Bay for the week end.
¶ Mabel and her son, Donald, left Monday morning for Detroit, Michigan. We all hope you enjoy your stay there, Mabel.
¶ Ann Crompton was elected Vice President of the Social Club at its Annual Meeting last week. Good luck, Ann.
¶ Mae Donnelly is back in the hospital again and we all wish for a short stay there.
¶ Gert entertained quite a few of the girls at her new home Tuesday evening and what a wonderful time we had. The girls presented her with a maple table and lamp for which she was very grateful. We are all waiting for Amy to move again so we can have another party.
¶ Elna is leaving for St. Petersburg, Florida, Sept. 17, where she will attend the Caldron Convention, Sept. 22-23-24 and 25. She is Mighty Chosen One of the Asab Caldron, No. 38, Daughters of Mokanna in Fall River. She is to be one of the pages at the Convention. Have a wonderful time, Elna, and don't forget the oranges.

WEAVE ROOM MILL “B” — Fall River

REPORTER: *Phyllis LePage*

¶ Ernest Tessier is up to his old tricks again. He seems to be an acrobatic bowler. Watch that rubber, Ernest.
¶ The boys got Blitz four by the Card Room on opening night. You will have to do better than that boys, or you will lose your reputation.
¶ Fred Richards bought himself a farm. He intends to run clam boils next season.
¶ Lorraine Lord's boy friend is opening up a shoe store. The name will be Barnaby Shoe Store. Don't forget to go up and see him, folks.
¶ Mary Teve's son has had his tonsils out. He is feeling much better now.

¶ Leo Lamothe has sold his motor boat. Reason! Too much gas and too many ducklings.
¶ Laura St. Germain has a new diamond. Wonder when the bells are going to ring?
¶ Pete and Adrien Belanger spent a week end in Canada. Adrien said he enjoyed motor boating on the lake near his uncle's home.
¶ Mary Tessier's daughter is working with us now. She is working in the Office of the Spinning Room. Best of luck, Marge.
¶ Valida Roberts sprained her ankle and had to ask for a week off.
¶ Mr. Conroy, a fixer, from the second shift, has been transferred to the first shift.
¶ Mr. Fortin has been added to our staff of fixers on the first shift.

WEAVE ROOM MILL “A” — Fall River

REPORTERS: *Leo Chabot, Eddie Sheehan*

¶ Announcing that memberships in the Employee's Social Association for the ensuing year are now being taken. Of course, there will be more and better activities, so everyone is urged to join and participate in as many events as possible.
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Cabral motored to the White Mountains over the Labor Day week end. A very pleasant and enjoyable trip.
¶ Duck hunting still holds its own as a popular Autumn sport, says Robillard, who is getting prepared for a trip.
¶ The usual competition that exists in the bowling league is again prevalent. The Rayons, Cloth Room and Card Room are staging the show this year, and we are placing our cards with the Rayons. WATCH THAT RAYON FINISH.
¶ Salutations to the elected officers of the bowling league, Mr. Lambert, President — Mr. Waterworth, Secretary — Mr. Bate, Treasurer.
¶ Click, Clack, Click, Clock, Click, Clack, who is coming? Flossie Jennings of course. Do you want to take a chance, Flossie, John is selling chances on a brand new pair of shoes.
¶ A man hater's permit has been issued to Evelyn Rioux and Jeannette Paquette. To hear them talk there shouldn't be any men in the world. Boy friends and husbands, watch your step.

MACHINE SHOP — Fall River

REPORTER: *Rudy LePage*

¶ The other night Luther Blossom traveled home on the bus. To his astonishment, he noticed that the people were staring his way. Why shouldn't they, "Lou," you were carrying a little kitten in that cardboard box.
¶ We wondered why Harold Marston was high hatting us these days, but the mystery was soon solved. We soon learned that he had been elected President of the Pepperell Social Club. Congratulations, Harold.
¶ It really is funny the way things are in the Shop. The majority of the men thrilled at the thought that Thursday is pay day. "Ike" Robinson, our cub machinist, has a different slant on the days of the week. He just can't wait for "Friday" to come around, why? Well, you see on Friday it's the custom to sweep the Shop and "Ike" just can't help but ask Harold to sweep up. We think he likes it. Oh yeah????
¶ Joe Carpenter went on another sight seeing trip over the last holiday week end. He and his wife traveled through many of the cities and towns of Connecticut.
¶ It seems that Grace Cushman stands in well with Cecil Kleebe. He comes in most every morning to chat with her before reporting for work. You'd better be careful, Cecil, or D.M. won't like it.
¶ Bill Harrington says that Fred LePage has joined the ranks of the profiteers. He says that Fred now charges 15c for a large can of sand soap, he used to charge 10c, but Fred says that the price of the product he uses has gone up. There's no kick coming there, is there, Bill?

WHO'S WHO
IN LEWISTON

HARRY J. VAUGHN, *Lewiston Editor*

With a deep sense of sympathy the people of the Lewiston bleachery learned of the death of Mrs. Thomas J. Lonerger on September 17. Mrs. Lonerger was the wife of Mr. Lonerger who is assistant superintendent of the bleachery, and the condolences of all members of the bleachery organization are extended to him in his bereavement.

FRAME ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: *John Grimm*

¶ Talk about soft-ball! Roy says he's a real star, if Barney calls that soft-ball he was playing the other night. What was the trouble Barney? Too many holes in the glove?

¶ P. L. lost his suit case so he will be with us for a while to come.

¶ Mac wishes Armand (Bird Club) would show him how he does his Houdini act because he can't find his bird nest in the morning.

¶ C. Moyes says it's something that he ate that made him pitch such a good ball game, but he hopes J. Curran enjoyed the potato races and the tug-of-war at the outing.

¶ C. W. hasn't made up his mind which he likes best, Bear Pond or Tacoma Lake. He claims they both look the same in the early morn.

¶ Al B. is sorry that they didn't have a ring at Bear Pond, for he was in the best of condition for a good time. Better luck next time Al.

¶ J. Hurd & Obie O'Brien spent Labor Day week end at Boston. We hope you enjoyed the ball games.

¶ Nap says if they keep him on all the samples in the room, he is going to get Armand to show him his disappearing act then he will have the laugh up his sleeve.

¶ J. H. and D. S. claim the reason they won the horseshoe pitching contest was because they were weaned on horse shoes since they were babes. And it wasn't done on the farm at Lisbon and Main Streets.

¶ F. H. Nadeau was sore because we didn't have his name in last month's Sheet, to tell what a good boy he's been for the last nine or ten months. Keep it up Nadeau, we're for you.

¶ Red Menneally says it isn't how big the pants are, it's how you wear them. So don't be jealous (boys).

¶ Mr. Simoneau and his wife spent Labor Day week end in Canada. Both had a great time.

¶ A. Deblois is very grateful for the new buses. He says he can save money by riding on them. But no one ever saw Arthur take a ride on the street cars. Why? We thought that you wore the pants, Arthur.

WHO'S WHO?

¶ Ask Same who gets up in the morning to make his breakfast! And ask him about the outing!

¶ Eddie C. says Vermont is a good place to visit if you don't have a break-down. How come, Eddie?

¶ Al got pretty sore about last month's Sheet. What's the matter, can't you take a joke, Al?

¶ J. C. says he's not paying bus fares as long as Sammy's car is still running.

¶ Mac tells us he is going to leave the dancing to the younger set. He danced so much at the outing, he was so tired by evening he could hardly stand up. Good going, Mac.

¶ We know who's boss at F. M.'s house after we saw the cute little blonde he was with at the outing. Good work, Frank.

¶ We have a couple of good truckers in the Frame Room now since Pelletier and Boyak are together. We hope you stay with us for a long time to come, boys.

STOREHOUSE — Lewiston

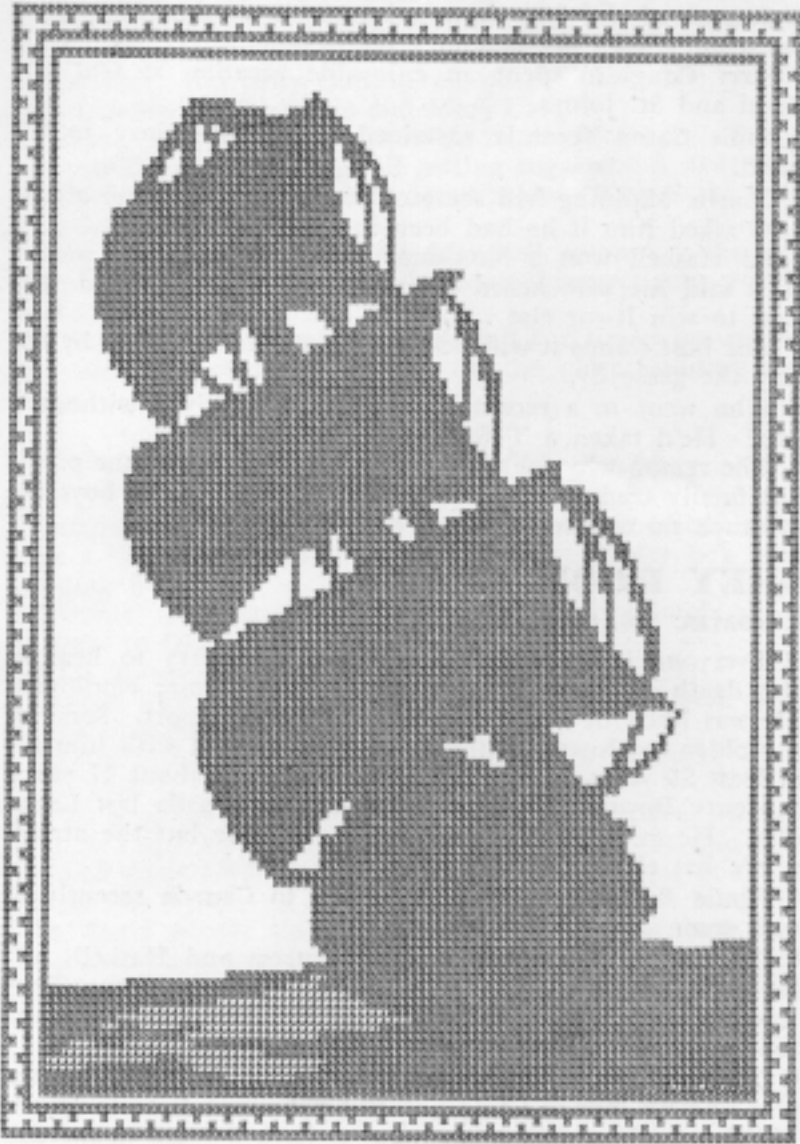
REPORTER: *Gerald Flynn*

¶ Everybody in the Storehouse had a great time at the outing and are looking forward to another one next year. Cy Royer thought the water a little rough when he first arrived but it calmed down after a while. Clara Tierney had to put a bell on Wally so she could find him at times. Babe Lizzote had a great time showing the gang a few tricks on roller skates. Ray Jordan and family enjoyed the box lunch very much.

¶ The Storehouse Softball Team did very well, thanks to the fine pitching of Bill Lacombe and also the great base running of Emile "Flash" Dutil.

¶ Tom St. Laurent and Gerard Sirois, the Storehouse buddies, attended the Le Montegnard corn roast at No Name Pond with their lady friends.

¶ Caleb Alvin Long is thinking of putting the Buick up for the winter now that the new busses go right by the house.



SAILBOAT AT SUNSET.



Two popular employees of Lewiston as they enjoyed the Field Day activities. Theresa Beland and Gabriel Tetreault are both employed at the sheet factory. Gabriel was awarded an attendance prize which netted him two sheets and two cases.

MACHINE SHOP — Lewiston

REPORTER: Carl Proctor.

¶ L. Long spent his vacation at Moosehead but couldn't fish because of rough water. He took up the time writing postcards.

¶ Constantine is about ready to buy a movie camera. He says the movies are getting so high priced it's cheaper to make them.

¶ Several of the boys have taken up trap shooting. It is one game that can't end in a fight.

¶ Jerry Coughlin spent an enjoyable vacation at Old Orchard and St. John's.

¶ Louis Caron recently sustained a painful injury to his hand.

¶ Charlie Manning had some of his teeth out. Some of the boys asked him if he had been in a fight.

¶ Ed Haskell won a handsome prize at the recent picnic. It is said his wife heard what it was beforehand and told him to win it—or else . . .

¶ The boss claims it will be an early winter. He tells by the way the geese fly.

¶ Who went to a recent trap shoot and arrived without a gun? He'd taken a T for a C.

¶ The reason why the shop won the tug of war at the picnic has finally come out. It is said that some of the boys ate so much no one could move 'em.

GREY ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: Jos. Gorman

¶ Everyone in the Grey Room was very sorry to hear of the death of Fred Barbour, one of our former employees. He was liked by everyone and was a grand sport. Some of the older employees in the room have worked with him for at least 25 years. Fred worked at our plant about 47 years.

¶ Henry Doyon took his annual trip to Canada last Labor Day. He said the old home looks the same but the atmosphere has changed a lot.

¶ Aimie Brouillette also took a trip to Canada recently to visit some of his relatives.

¶ The Three Musketeers, Call, Huntress and Haskell, will be giving the ducks a chase for their money soon. They have new plans this year, and they say it's going to be just too bad for the birds.

¶ The membership drive for the Y.M.C.A. starts in the plant pretty soon. The plant had a basketball team in the "Y" league last year, and hope to have a team again this year. The team should be stronger this year with a lot of new material now working here.

NAPPING ROOM NO. 2 — Lewiston

REPORTER: Chas. Vaillancourt

¶ The picnic was a very successful affair according to Mr. Dumais, Sr. He got everything he wanted except one thing.

¶ Well, Tom had to get himself a pair of specs. He was so near sighted, that one day coming to work he found himself going towards Portland. But he knew the way to the picnic, though.

¶ Our school boy, Larry Stetson, has left us for another school year, and we wish him the best of luck and success.

¶ The way you felt at the picnic, Leon, is the way you feel when you go deep sea fishing—maybe not as bad.

¶ Bill Leger came back from his fishing trip with a big smile. He said that he caught plenty of smelts, and the rest he had to throw back. Oh yes, this was up to Moosehead. You're slipping, Bill. Now's he's looking forward to the hunting season.

¶ Aime Turcotte, our second hand, raid that he had a great time at the picnic. There was plenty of everything.

BOX SHOP — Lewiston

REPORTER: Eugene Madden

¶ Anthony "Bunny" Cormier spent his vacation in New York City and while there took in several shows and night clubs looking for new ideas to use in the various minstrel shows he expects to stage this coming winter.

¶ Johnny Coughlin attended the annual outing of the 101st Trench Mortar Battery held at Lake Sabattus. Johnny's luck ran true to form when he held one of the lucky tickets for an attendance prize which turned out to be a box of food stuff. It is rumored that he turned it over to one of our charitable institutions.

¶ Gene Moore and Bill Parker got out the old broom brush and dusted off their best suits and went to Boston over the holidays to see the Red Sox play a few ball games. It's been a long time since either of these R.F.D. boys have been so far away from home.

¶ "Babe" Renaud spent his vacation in Canada and while there attended the Diamond Wedding Anniversary of some relatives of his. For the remainder of his stay "Babe" spent much of the time horse-back riding around the countryside and returned to work as brown as a berry.

¶ Fred Marquis and Methode Rancourt, members of the State Horseshoe Pitching League, sure had the props knocked out from under them at the Pepperell Outing when a couple of real old timers named Sullivan and Hurd, from the Frame Room, took them over. "They were just a couple of other guys to us," said the Old Timers.

CAN ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: Bob Tiner

¶ Lightning Morin, who attended the races at the State Fair, decided to try his luck. He inquired from a friend just how he should go about placing his bet, and was told to put it on the nose. Morin returned after a brief absence to say he could not get near his nose, but tied it on his tail.

¶ John Hopkins will have to find a new sport to keep the kinks out of his legs now that the baseball and softball season is nearly over. We would suggest bowling, but that would be too dangerous for him. Why? Ask John.

¶ The Bleachery outing has long since been over with, but the question will always remain—Would the Can Room Team have won their second game if Coach Squab Legare had not deserted his team?

¶ Romeo Oliver, the Can Room Optimist, seems to have Morin stopped in his tracks whenever a discussion on the European situation arises, especially about a Japanese gentleman.

¶ "Jep" Soucy seems quite concerned about the cold weather coming, as it will mean the end of his swimming in Jepson's Brook. We have not as yet been able to find out why there is such an attraction to this.

¶ Henry Landry still insists that a BUCCANEER is a high price to pay for corn, and Cooper thinks it is a good idea that it is unlawful to shoot moose in this state.



Rachel Cote, checker at the blanket cloth room at Biddeford, is the Sonja Henie of Biddeford. This is an advance tip to watch her at the skating rinks this winter.

WHITE FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: Roland Lacombe

¶ Why go to a big league ball game when you just have to take a look at Eddie Goff's new shirt. It's free of charge.

¶ Now, in your estimation, which of the two is the tallest, Roland Lacombe or Junior Morin? All they have to do at a ball game is look over the fence, not through it. How tall, Junior, 7 ft. 6 in.?

¶ Well, some of our boys are off to the Army now, Pete Bonneau and maybe Henry Simoneau and Eddie Goff. Don't worry about your gal, Eddie, we'll find somebody else for her.

¶ Don't forget that Freddie Michaud is still the war correspondent.

¶ The people of this department offer their sympathy to Marty Norton for the loss of his father.

¶ Don't forget, folks, if you want to know anything about Boston, see Florence.

¶ We would like to be popular enough to have our picture in the paper like Junior Edwards. Ha, ha.

¶ If you want to know anything about rents in Lewiston, see Jim O'Kane. Say, Jim, is it cheaper to move than to pay rent?

COLORLED FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: John McKenna.

¶ Ernie Frechette has been flashing a lot of money lately, but Red Parsons said he will catch up with him by selling a lot of extra milk.

¶ Note: Red's stock on his farm consists of 1 bull—1 pig—and a few feather hens.

¶ A lot of people in Auburn would like to get a price to have their house painted. If so, see Mrs. Grace Cote.

¶ Margaret Kelley has been entertaining company from out of State. Any proposals, Marg?

¶ Carl Wood is still smiling over the car he sold Ed Howard.

¶ Pauline would like to take a trip to Boston before snow flies, but not as expensively as the last one.

¶ Helen Taylor is interested in taking out a new insurance policy. If you know any willing agents, send them up.

NAPPING ROOM NO. 1 — Lewiston

REPORTER: Clarence Meservey

¶ Bill "Bud Abbot" Judson is taking a vacation from reporting this month, but we expect him back next month, assisted by Frank "Lou Costello" Cox.

¶ Junior Pacquette is back with us again after being out sick for several weeks. Glad to see you back and looking so good, Junior.

¶ Ernest Giroux is taking Joe Poulin's place on the night shift. Joe is out sick.

¶ Emil Morin is planning to take a trip to Canada in October.

¶ "Rosie" Rhodes is getting to be quite a Beano fan these days, but we never hear of him winning.

¶ Wanted: A night floorwalker. Apply to Jack Wade. He would like to get a good night's sleep.

¶ Joe Oliver has been showing Nel Caron how to fix the machines for the last few weeks.

SHEET FACTORY — Lewiston

REPORTERS: Blanche Sawyer, Dorothy Casey, Ellen Cooper and Jeannette Haley.

¶ Anne Chouinard returned from her vacation well rested, she says.

¶ Blanche Lauze, a new member of the Pepperell family, is quite a nice gal. Hope you stay a long time with us, Blanche.

¶ Anyone wishing to join the new swimming club now being formed, see Emma Patry.

¶ The postman doesn't have to ring twice at Rita Marcotte's home, when he's bringing news from Hartford, Conn.

¶ Don't know what Sammy Roberts will do with all his money. He's now working at the local Super-Service First National Store week-ends.

¶ The girls in the Storehouse certainly had their share of candy lately with all the birthdays, wedding anniversaries and such. Wedding anniversaries included: Eunice Morrell, Helen Soule and Sally Gordon, all on the same day. Birthdays included Helen Soule and Mary Call.

¶ Romance sure blooms a lot lately in the Bleachery. Everyone you know who is single is getting engaged. A newcomer to the ranks will be a future Army bride. When's the wedding date, Bunny?

¶ Mary Call doesn't like this Winchell column. She says "Please don't put in my name." So—we'll respect your wishes, Miss Call.

¶ The 'Scoggin River with its odor and bad fumes has ruined that nice new sign we had put on the office building last year.

Jimmy Has Plenty Of Apples

¶ Judging from appearances, Jimmy Steele's orchard must have a "bumper" crop—with all the green apples he's been bringing in lately.

¶ "Archie" Bouchard saw a lot of the country lately when he went to Oklahoma via plane.

¶ Rita M.—How do you like your new boss?

¶ People won't recognize the sheet room pretty soon with all the changes going on.

¶ Grateful for that 10% raise—Everyone is planning what to do with it.

¶ This is old news, but we've been requested to print it two or three times, so here goes. Ask Lillums about the wild ride she took down Goff Hill one night a few weeks ago. She said that it was a game of Hi-O-Silver. How about it, Mildred?

¶ So many people have gone on vacations that it is impossible to keep track of them. Those we have seen look as if they had a good time as they are mostly tanned like little Brownies.

¶ Kay Bourisk is back with us again after her illness. She looks very well and we hope she continues to gain.

¶ Mildred, we won't say a word about you this time.

¶ What did Baker do to Emma? She had a new blouse on when she came back to work at noon.

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¶ Everyone, including Mr. Baker, has returned from their vacation. Some do not look very well rested, but then, that may be their idea of a vacation.

¶ Will someone tell us, why the sudden interest in new nickels? Is it the new Coca-Cola man? Too late, girls, he is getting married soon.

¶ What happened to Donald's nose, Yvonne? Tell us how you did it. It sure got results and *quickly*.

¶ What happened to Arlene's canary? It is very quiet these days. Everyone has spoken of it.

¶ All the people to whom we've spoken have said what a good time they had at the picnic. It surely was a good picnic in every way.

¶ Blanche Pelletier is out after a throat operation. Hope you'll soon be back, well as ever, Blanche.

¶ We see many new faces in the Sheet Room these days. Hope their stay with us will be a happy one. Welcome to our circle, boys and girls.

¶ Lil Touchette says it won't be the Pepperell Sheet if her name is not in it, so, as we'd hate to have anything like that happen, we just have to mention it.

¶ If Florence D. has to yell for Edgar many times, the company will have to furnish her with a Klaxon horn.

¶ Wanted—One Black Crow.—See Yvette McKenna.

¶ Alice Asselin eats a meal for every hour she works. Hope we don't have to work 24 hours a day.

¶ Doc Russell will be glad when vacations are over. He'll have to get acquainted all over again with his crew.

¶ Alice O'Kane spent Labor Day week end in Rhode Island and Conn.

We Welcome Our New Reporter

¶ Frances Oliver spent her vacation in Canada with relatives.

¶ The night girls are looking forward to the corn roast at Edgewater in the near future.

¶ Bernadette Dupuis returned to the night crew recently and after a week's stay, went on her two weeks' vacation in New York and Canada.

¶ The night crew are on their best behavior now that they have a reporter on the "Sheet".

¶ Things are rather quiet at night since Wally "Snooky" Hennessey has gone on days.

¶ There are several things yours truly would like to publish, but bribes keep them out.

¶ Litchfield's gain was our loss, when Myra Conley took her vacation lately.

¶ Diane Morin is patiently awaiting the appearance of her name in the Sheet, so she can send it to "Red".

¶ Cecile seems rather solemn these past few days. You wouldn't be holding out on us, would you Cecile? Well, whatever it is, we sincerely hope it isn't a broken heart.

¶ Have you noticed Cecile's third finger on her left hand? No, you guessed wrong. It's only a birthday gift.

¶ Jenny Crowley tells us she did not take part in the races at the outing because she does enough racing in here.

¶ After seeing some of the pictures in last month's issue, we think they should have held a beauty contest at the outing. Nifty looking girls we have here.

¶ Minnie tells us she can't say in so many words, what a grand cruise she had. We're glad you enjoyed yourself, Minnie.

Observes Wedding Anniversary

¶ Jeannette Haley enjoyed her 8th wedding anniversary last Sept. 2. Took the same trip she did when she was first married. She hopes to have many more.

¶ Everyone seems glad to settle down to work once more, after all vacations are over.

¶ Glad to have you back with us after being out, Mrs. Boucher.

¶ Lillian Kearns is always saying to Gertie: "It's about time we had a little H.B." How about it, Lillian?

¶ Thelma Higgins finally got her name in the headlines. Not so fast next time, Thelma.



Ruth Hobbins of the towel cloth room at Biddeford is one of our most popular girls with a heart of gold. Her winning smile and personality rates her high in 3-1 mill.

¶ Myra Martin entertained at a weinie roast which was much enjoyed by a group of girls from the Stitching Dept. Games and singing were much in evidence. Jane Perrier got a prize for the best solo. Cecile Valcourt Morin, doing some posing, dropped a stitch in her stockings. She did not care as long as it was not in her back, as new stockings are coming with butterflies on them.

¶ Lena Farrell is spending her vacation in Somerville, Mass. Hope she had a good time and fair weather.

¶ Corrinne Lessard went to the Oxford Fair. All the birds and beasts were there. Corrinne alighted on one of the horses, and she hasn't been the same since she came back.

¶ Lena Thomas has taken up aviation. She wants to be able to fly home next summer. Good work, Lena.

¶ Edward Leahey and family enjoyed a vacation at New Bedford.

¶ Frances Flannagan is planning on a trip to New York. This will be quite a treat for New York, as we don't think they have any girls quite as nice as Frances.

¶ Honey Vaughn first got a tall, dark and handsome young man, then came the De Soto coupe, next the diamond ring. What next, Honey? A share in the Bath Iron Works? One never knows, does one?

¶ Bert Wood and his wife spent Labor Day week at Old Orchard. They were supposed to have stayed at the Story House, but we guess it was at the corner drug store. What was the attraction, Bert, the platinum blonde, or the orchestra, or was it both?

¶ Loretta Bissonette is back with us again after several months vacation. We are all glad to have you back again, Loretta.

¶ Cecile Oliver is awfully ambitious, but one day she was too ambitious. Cecile says it doesn't pay in the end as she had to loaf next day, believe it or not.

¶ Lena Thomas had a wonderful vacation at Nova Scotia and wonderful weather.

way, the people who worked in the cotton-textile mills suffered less from being laid off than those in practically any other big business.

And here are the figures that show this. On the left is the industry which is reported. The next column under "High" shows the highest index figure for any of the five years covered. The next column shows the lowest figure in the five years. Then the last column shows the difference between these two figures, and this difference naturally represents the total changes in employment in each of these industries for the five years. It's not hard to see at a glance that the cotton-textile industry, with a total change of only 13.9% was far less than the automobile industry with a total change of 52.5%. This certainly shows how some industries fluctuate in the employment they offer, and how some stay relatively the same.

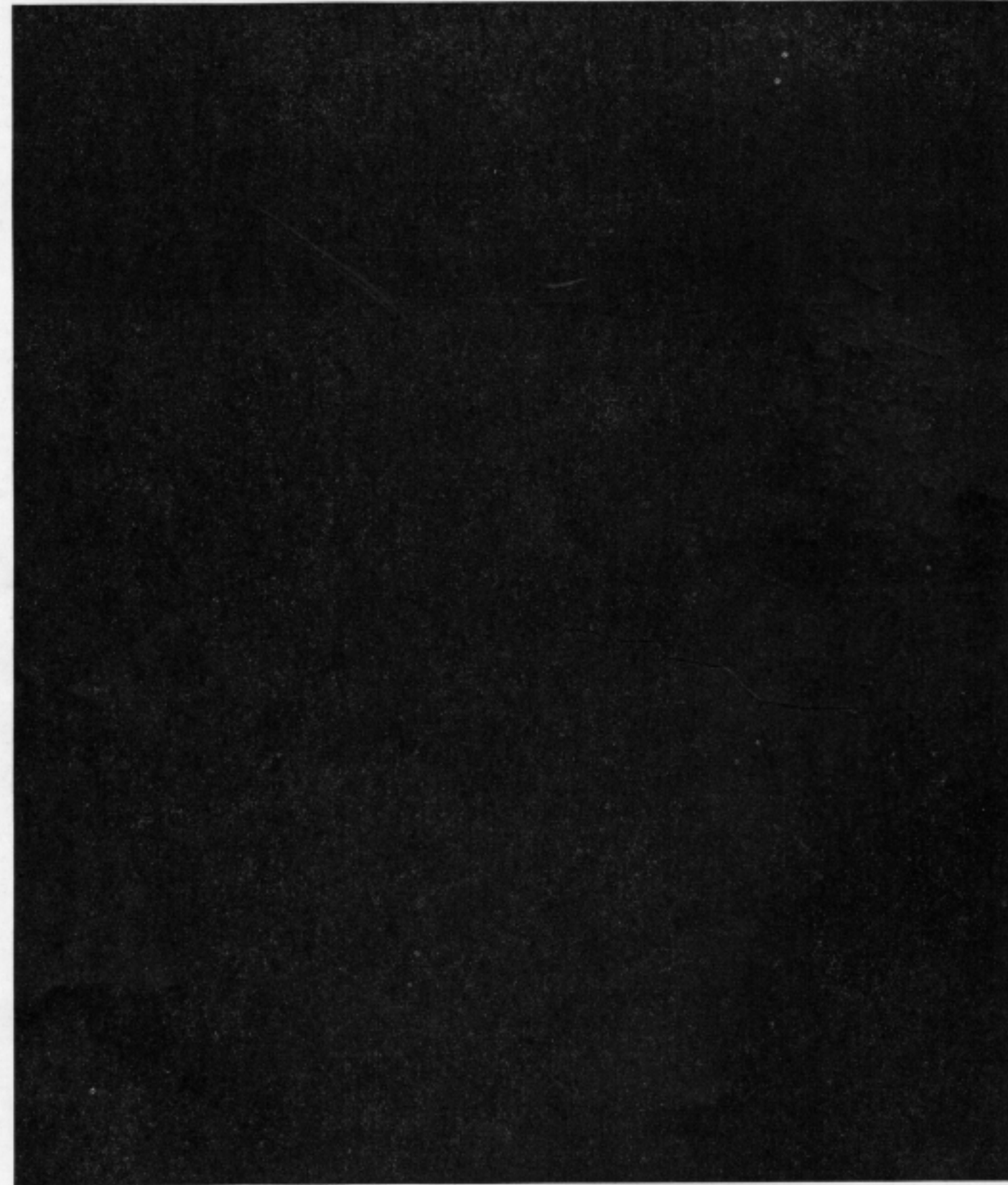
Type of Industry	High	Low	Total Change
Cotton Goods	95.5%	81.6%	13.9%
Blast furnaces, steel works, rolling mills	123.5	90.9	32.6
Electrical machinery, apparatus and supplies	115.7	80.7	35.0
Foundry and machine shop products	107.8	78.5	29.3
Automobiles	128.3	75.8	52.5
Shipbuilding	122.7	82.4	40.3

There are, of course, a lot of reasons why the cotton-textile industry offers pretty steady employment. In the first place the goods it manufactures are in almost all cases absolutely needed by millions of Americans, and whether they are out of work or not, they have to buy them either for clothing or for household uses. Also, many cotton-textile manufacturers make a point of operating their mills even when business is poor, in order to provide employment and wages for as many people as possible. This naturally helps to provide relatively constant work.

The conclusion to be drawn from these figures of course is that the cotton-textile industry offers one of the most important advantages to the people who work for it—and this advantage is steady employment. In normal and in abnormal times it runs at a relatively steady pace, and the people who are employed in it get the benefits of regular work and wages. Sometimes this fact is lost sight of when events are not normal, but it is always well to keep normal conditions in view.

David S. Cook
Mill Manager

WATCH OUT FOR THIS BLACK-OUT



The big black blotch above shows you what a fire does.

A fire blacks out wages.

A fire blacks out employment.

And it can black out lives.

Fires start from little things—a match carelessly thrown, a cigarette left burning, red hot

pipe ashes—but a fire grows fast into a terrible thing.

Don't let a fire start in your department. Keep oily and waste rags out of the way. Pick up loose cotton or waste. And don't smoke or use matches where they are forbidden.

Don't let a fire black out your wages, employment, or your life.

